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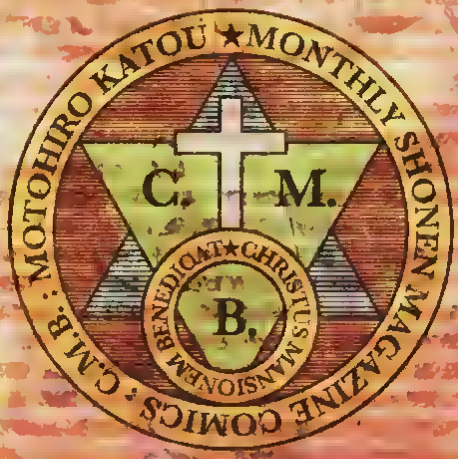

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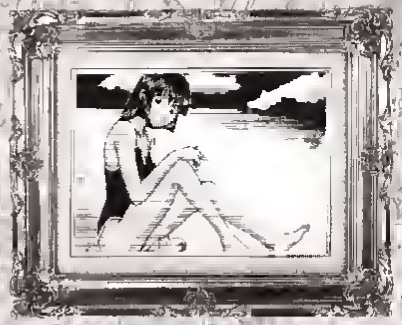

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榊 森羅 *Shinra Sakaki*

小さな林の中に建つ『森羅博物館』の館長。知の象徴である"C""M""B"の三つの指輪を持つ。広範な知識と卓越した洞察力を持つ反面、一般常識にはかなり疎い。

七瀬 立樹 *Tatsuki Nanase*

情にモロイが仁義に厚い、イマドキいないタイプの元気印系女子高生。その本性を隠し、良家のご子息・ご令嬢が集う超名門・私立 明友高校に通っている。

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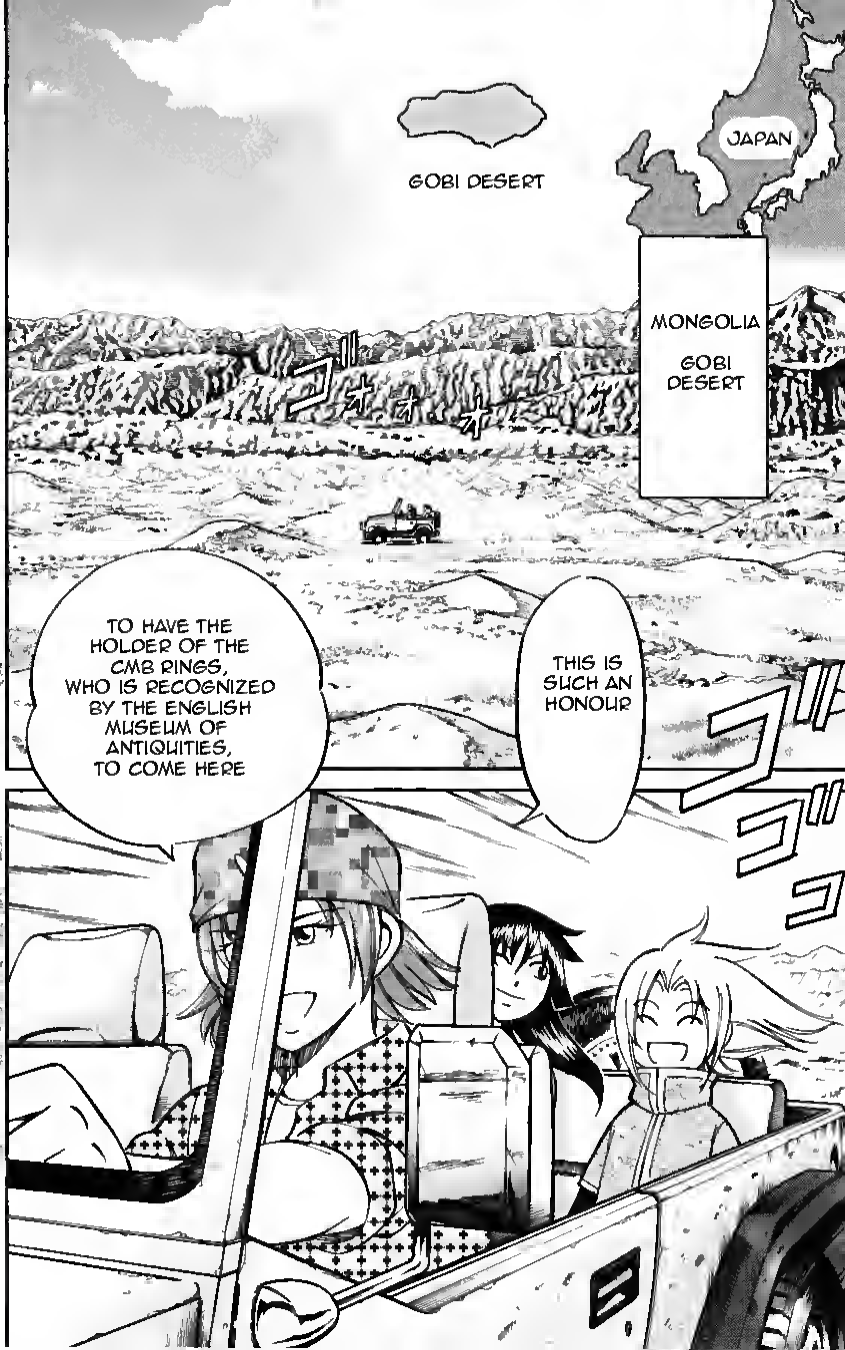
Op.22　その差6千万年

Sixty million years



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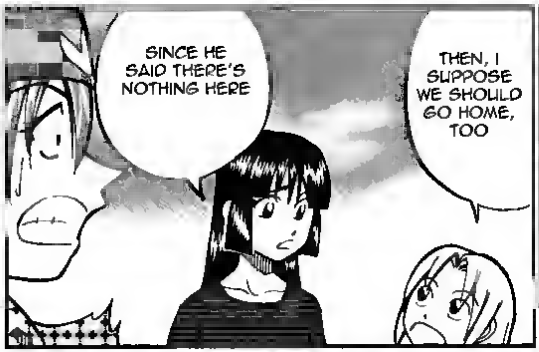
ARCHEOLOGIST
HERA COLBERT
MY BROTHER WILL BE SO HAPPY, HE'LL HAVE A NOSE BLEED
MR. SHINRA! YOU'LL BE ABLE TO SEE SOMETHING AMAZING, TODAY!
YOU HAVE A BROTHER?
YUP! WE GO AROUND EXCAVATING FOSSILS TOGETHER
WHY IS THERE A TENT, PULLED ONTO THE CLIFF?
LOOK! THERE IT IS!!
IT'S SOMETHING EVEN RARER THAN A 3 METER LONG COCKROACH!!

HUH?
I'M ONLY HERE TO CONTACT HERA.....
W, WAIT.....
I HAVE NOTHING TO SHOW YOU, OTHER THAN MY ASS!!
ARCHEOLOGIST
JOYCE COLBERT

THIS PERSON IS THE DIRECTOR FOR THE SCIENCE DOCUMENTARY CHANNELS TV SHOW, "CHALLENGER"!!
YOU IDIOT!! I BROUGHT THE TV CREW HERE, FOR A REASON!!
SHUT UP!!
IF WE HAVE A TV STATION, COVER OUR DISCOVERY, THEY MAY BE ABLE TO PAY US FOR THE COST OF THIS DIG....
I WAS THINKING OF HAVING HIM COVER OUR DISCOVERY...
DIRECTOR OF THE SCIENCE DOCUMENTARY CHANNEL, TV SHOW "CHALLENGER"
ROB DELL

RIGHT.....
I'M SORRY, LET ME PUNCH SOME SENSE INTO HIM FIRST
IF YOU DON'T DISAPPEAR IN 3 SECONDS, I'M GONNA SHOOT!!

IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER PROBLEMS, PLEASE CONTACT ME
UMM... I'LL BE STAYING AT THIS HOTEL, SO


SINCE HE SAID THERE'S NOTHING HERE
THEN, I SUPPOSE WE SHOULD GO HOME, TOO

BRO! THIS IS THE BOY WITH THE CMB RINGS!!

NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES YOU COME, THERE'LL BE NOTHING HERE FOR YOU!

WAIT, WAIT!
IF YOU GO HOME NOW, WE'LL BE SCREWED!
WE HAVE NO NEED FOR THE TV STATIONS, BUT
WE DO NEED YOU TO CONFIRM OUR FINDINGS!
DON'T SHIT YOUR PANTS AFTER SEEING THIS!
GEEZ, BOTH SIBLINGS HAVE SUCH FOWL MOUTHS ..
BEHOLD!

WHA.....
HUMAN AND DINOSAUR FOSSILS, TOGETHER IN THE SAME STRATA!?
SO, WHAT'S SO AMAZING ABOUT THIS?

AN IMPOSSIBLE FOSSIL?
RIGHT! DINOSAURS WENT EXTINCT APPROXIMATELY 65 MILLION YEARS AGO
HUMAN BEINGS APPEARED ABOUT 4, 5 HUNDRED MILLION YEARS AGO
THERE'S A 60 MILLION YEAR GAP BETWEEN THEM!
IN STRATA, THE LOWER YOU GO, THE OLDER THE OBJECTS WITHIN THE STRATA, ARE
WITH A GAP OF 60 MILLION YEARS, THERE SHOULD BE QUITE A LARGE STACK OF STRATAS BETWEEN THEM

RIGHT! THIS IS A DISCOVERY ON PAR WITH FINDING A PEEPING HOLE IN THE WOMENS LOCKER ROOM!
AND YET, THEY ARE TOGETHER... WITH THE DINOSAUR FOSSIL BEING PLACED ABOVE THE HUMAN FOSSIL, THIS IS CLEARLY IMPOSSIBLE
I CALLED FOR YOU TO COME, TO SOLVE THIS MYSTERY!
SO, WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS?
IS THAT THE ONLY WAY YOU CAN PUT IT!?
THIS STRANGENESS REMINDS ME OF THE BERINGER FOSSILS
BERINGER FOSSIL?

THEY ARE CLEARLY HIDING AN AMAZING FOSSIL!!
PLEASE SEND A CAMERA CREW, RIGHT AWAY!

BUT IF THIS TURNS OUT TO BE A HOAX, I'LL HAVE YOU WANDER THE DESERTS FOR A LITTLE WHILE LONGER...
THIS IS QUITE THE FIND, ROB! THIS MAKES YOUR 1 YEAR EXPEDITION IN THE DESERT, WORTH IT!
SCIENCE DOCUMENTARY CHANNEL, TV SHOW "CHALLENGER" CHEIF PRODUCER
RICH STEIN

Y, YES, I'LL TRY MY BEST!
BUT, IF YOU GET A GOOD LEAD, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO BECOME THE CHEIF ONE DAY, TOO!
IT'S YOUR FAULT, FOR ALLOWING SOMEONE TO BE INJURED DURING A NATURE DOCUMENTARY!
I... I ALSO WANT TO EAT SOME HAMBURGERS INSTEAD OF LAMB MEAT, TOO...
WHAT?
ALRIGHT! IF YOU'RE THAT SURE OF YOURSELF, THEN I SHALL COME DOWN THERE MYSELF
YOU'RE QUITE SURE OF YOURSELF
THIS IS DEFINATELY AN AMAZING DISCOVERY!
YOU'RE ASKING ME WHY I'M KEEPING SUCH A DISCOVERY, A SECRET?

BECAUSE, IF YOU MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT WITH THE MEDIA...
IT'LL CAUSE A COMMOTION
AND THEY'D DO AN EPISODE CALLED "HIDDEN FACTS! HUMANS AND DINOSAURS COEXISTED!!"
IT'S NOT OUR RESPONSIBILITY, IT'S NOT OUR FAULT IF THE MEDIA BLOWS THIS OUT OF PROPORTIONS
OR MAYBE "ALIENS DISPLACED DINOSAURS THROUGH TIME!!"?
OR WHAT ABOUT "65 MILLION YEARS AGO, AN ADVANCED ANCIENT CIVILIZATION EXISTED!"
IDIOT!

THINK OF HOW MANY PEOPLE GOT RICH OFF IRRESPONSIBLE RAMBLINGS ABOUT THE "WAS THE MOON LANDING FAKED!?" STORIES
AND HOW MANY LITTLE KIDS WERE LIED TO, AND HAD THEIR DREAMS CRUSHED BECAUSE OF IT!?
I WILL NOT ALLOW THIS FINDING TO BE RELEASED TO THE MEDIA, UNTIL THE MYSTERY IS SOLVED!!
I'M COUNTING ON YOU, MR SHINRA!

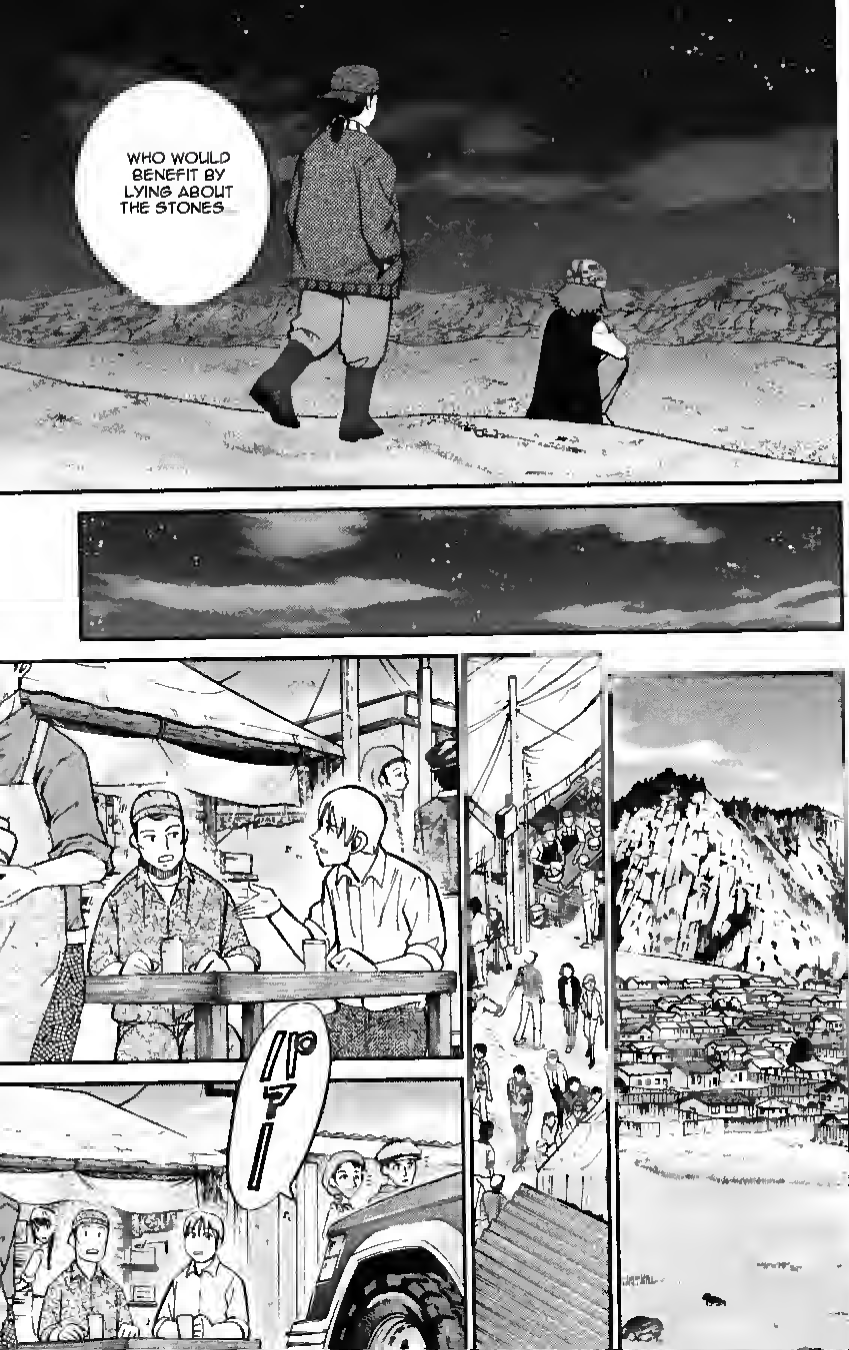
THINK OF HOW EASY OUR LIVES WILL BECOME, IF WE GET THE BACKING OF THE TV STATION!!
WE NEED MONEY IN ORDER TO CONTINUE OUR RESEARCH INTO FOSSILS!!
WILL YOUR STUPID SENSE OF HONOUR, PUT FOOD ON OUR TABLE!?
YOU STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND, DO YOU!!
WE'VE JUST FOUND THE TREASURE OF A LIFETIME!!

AND YET YOU'RE RUINING IT!!
SHE SHOULD FIND SOME RICH GUY IN THE CITY, AND SETTLE DOWN
SHE SHOULDN'T BE HERE, COVERED IN DUST LIKE THIS
ㅋㅋ
WHAT IS THE "BERINGER'S FOSSIL" YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT BEFORE?
BY THE WAY, SHINRA....
I'LL GO AND BRING HER BACK

THERE WAS A GERMAN DOCTOR IN THE 18TH CENTURY, CALLED JOHANN BERINGER
THIS PERSON WAS EXTREMELY CONCEITED, SO...
Johann Beringer
AND DECIDED TO INTERFERE WITH HIS HOBBY OF MINING FOR FOSSILS
HIS COLLEAGUES THOUGHT OF EMBARRASING HIM...
EMBEDDING IT IN THE AREA THAT BERINGER WAS DIGGING
AT THE TIME, THEY DID NOT KNOW HOW FOSSILS FORMED
AND CREATED A FAKE FOSSIL THAT LOOKED REALLY STRANGE
THEY CARVED UP A STONE

BERINGER, WHO FOUND THE FAKE FOSSILS, WAS REALLY EXCITED
IT'S AN AMAZING DISCOVERY!!!!
HIS COLLEAGUES, WHO STARTED TO ESCALATE THE JOKE, BEGAN EMBEDDING FOSSILS WITH THE NAME OF GOD CARVED INTO THEM, AND COMETS, AS WELL
HWH
BERINGER NEVER FOUND OUT, AND EVEN RELEASED A BOOK ABOUT HIS FINDINGS
AAHHH!!
HEHEHE
HE WILL SURELY FIGURE OUT THAT THESE FOSSILS ARE FAKE
WHAT
ANOTHER AMAZING DISCOVERY!!

BERINGER, WHO WAS ASHAMED OF HIS MISTAKE, SPENT THE REST OF HIS LIFE TRYING TO RETREIVE HIS BOOKS, AND THIS WAS KNOWN AS THE "BERINGER'S LYING STONES" INCIDENT
AND FINALLY, A HEARING WAS STARTED, AND THERE, IT WAS FINALLY DETERMINED THAT THE FOSSILS WERE A FAKE
HOW SAD
...SO, IN OTHER WORDS, YOU'RE SAYING...
B...BUT! POSSIBLY
THAT THE FOSSIL THERE, IS A FAKE?


WHO WOULD BENEFIT BY LYING ABOUT THE STONES...
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RICH-SAN!
LOOK! I BROUGHT A CAMERA CREW, AS PROMISED
IF YOU HAD CONTACTED ME, THEN I WOULD'VE COME TO GET YOU
NOW, ALL THAT'S LEFT IS TO SEE IF YOUR TICKET HOME TO AMERICA IS THE REAL THING
NO NEED FOR THAT
I JUST HEARD THE STORY OF A PERSON WHO WAS WORKING ALONGSIDE THE COLBERT SIBLINGS
RIGHT!

PLEASE TELL THIS MAN, THE STORY YOU TOLD US...
PLEASE GET ME A BOTTLE OF MINERAL WATER
WELL, I WAS ASLEEP, AND...
WHAT'S WRONG?
SUDDENLY, I HEARD HERA-SAN'S VOICE...
BRO, COME!!

WH, WHAT'S GOING ON!?
WHAT HAPP-ENED!?
WE, WE'RE STOPPING THE DIG FOR NOW!!
...IS WHAT HAPPENED
EVERYONE, PLEASE GO HOME, AFTER RECEIVING YOUR SALARY FOR THE DAY
SOUNDS PROMISING, DOESN'T IT?
LET'S CHECK IT OUT!

THE GOBI DESERT IS MADE OF REMNANTS OF RIVERS AND LAKES
SO IT'S AN IDEAL SPOT FOR DIGGING UP FOSSILS

A RIVER... BUT WHERE'S THE WATER?
THAT DENTED SECTION WAS CREATED BY THE CARVING OF A RIVER
WHEN THE SNOW MELTS ON THE MOUNTAINS, DURING THE SPRING TIME, A MASSIVE AMOUNT OF WATER COMES DOWN AND FLOWS THROUGH HERE
WHAT ABOUT THAT?
THIS CLIFF WAS ALSO CARVED OUT BY A RIVER

IT LOOKS A BIT DIFFERENT THAN BEING CARVED OUT BY A RIVER
ABOUT A MILLION YEARS AGO, A GLACIER DURING THE ICE AGE...
CARVED THE GROUND
THAT WAS CAUSED BY A GLACIER
A GLACIER?
BUT NOW, IT'S MELTED, AND HAS CREATED THAT CLIFF
OH

MY BROTHER USED TO DIG UNDER THE ICE FOR FOSSILS
IT WAS DURING A TIME WHEN HE WAS UNSURE AS TO WHETHER HE WOULD BE ABLE TO STAY WITH HIS UNIVERSITY OR NOT
AT THE BERGEN ISLANDS
WOW, WE GOT QUITE A BIT
IT'LL BE HARD TO CATALOGUE ALL THIS
HE WAS SENT THERE WITH HIS FRIEND
YES
I HOPE BOTH OF US WILL PASS THE TEST
BUT BEFORE THAT, WE NEED TO PASS OUR TEST, AND BE ALLOWED TO STAY AT OUR UNIVERSITY
OH, THE RESULTS OF THE TEST ARE OUT!

I PASSED, BUT YOU...
DIDN'T
EVER SINCE THEN, MY BROTHER HAS BEEN GOING AROUND DIGGING FOSSILS BY HIMSELF
HE'S ALWAYS A LITTLE WEAK MINDED WHEN IT COUNTS THE MOST
I WONDER HOW LONG I'LL HAVE TO BABYSIT HIM

LICK
SHINRA!?

WHAT ARE YOU...
IT'S THE SAME!
EVEN THOUGH THE HEIGHT IS DIFFERENT...
THE ROCKS ABOVE THE CLIFF, AND BELOW, ARE FROM THE SAME STRATA
WHY!?

A
B
C
D
A
B
C
MAYBE THE LAYERS SHIFTED AND CREATED THIS CLIFF?
NO, THIS CLIFF WAS CREATED BY A RIVER
IF SO, THEN THE STRATA FROM ABOVE AND BELOW, SHOULD BE DIFFERENT
A
B
C
D
RIVER

HOW DID THIS CLIFF
*BOOM!!

!?
THESE CATERPILLARS WERE TRYING TO GET INTO THE TENT!!
BRO, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

YOUR AMAZING DISCOVERY IS INSIDE THAT TENT, RIGHT!? AREN'T YOU TIRED OF BEING IN THIS DESERT, TOO!?
SHUT UP!!
I TOLD YOU WE SHOULDN'T DO THIS!
ドオオン
ドン
TAKE YOUR CARS AND GO HOME!
ブロロン
JOYCE-SAN!!
BRO!!
WOOPS

AH!!

D, DINOSAURS AND HUMAN REMAINS, IN THE SAME STRATA!?
I SHALL EXPLAIN THE MYSTERY OF THIS FOSSIL, RIGHT NOW
MR. SHINRA! WHY DID YOU DO THAT!?

REALLY!?
ON ONE CONDITION!
WHY ARE DINOSAUR FOSSILS AND HUMAN FOSSILS, TOGETHER IN THE SAME STRATA, CLOSING THE 65 MILLION YEAR GAP!?
IN EXCHANGE FOR MY EXPLANATION, I WANT YOU TO GIVE ME THE RIGHT TO DECIDE WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THIS FOSSIL
W, WAIT! LET'S SIGN A CONTRACT WITH OUR PROGRAM, "CHALLENGER", AND LET US COVER THIS DISCOVERY

HE'S RIGHT! THIS GUY MIGHT BE TRYING TO STEAL OUR FOSSILS!
WELL THEN... I SHALL ESCORT YOU TO THE "WUNDER KAMMER"
OKAY, I ACCEPT, MR. SHINRA

AS YOU CAN SEE, THE FOSSILS OF A DINOSAUR AND A HUMAN, ARE BURIED TOGETHER IN THE SAME STRATA, DESPITE BEING SEPARATED BY 65 MILLION YEARS
AND FURTHERMORE, THE DINOSAUR FOSSILS, WHICH IS OLDER, IS FOUND ABOVE THE FOSSIL OF THE HUMAN
THIS IS UNTHINKABLE

WHICH MEANS THAT SOMETHING DELIBERATELY SET IT UP SO THAT IT WOULD LOOK LIKE THIS
OR WAS IT MADE BY SOMEONE WHO WANTED TO CREATE A TV SHOW, AND GATHER RATINGS?
OR WAS IT DONE BY SOMEONE WHO WANTED TO PRESENT AN INTERESTING FOSSIL, IN ORDER TO GAIN THE SUPPORT OF A TV STATION?
WAS IT DONE BY SOMEONE AS A JOKE, LIKE THE "BERINGER LYING STONES" INCIDENT?
IN ACTUALITY, THE CULPRIT WHO MADE THIS FOSSIL, WAS...
HEY! STOP WITH THE "OR"S AND TELL US!
OR WAS IT....

THE GLACIERS, 10,000 YEARS AGO!!

WHAAAAAT!?
AT THE BEGINNING, THE STRATA WERE LAYERED ACCORDING TO THEIR PROPER AGE
A
NEW
B
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OLD
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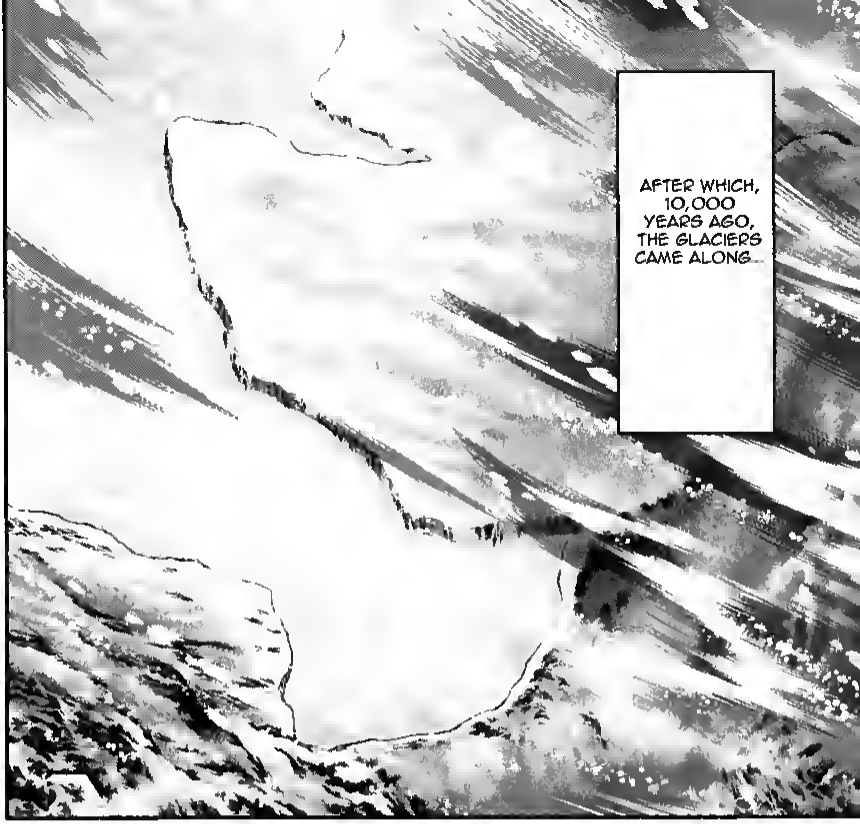
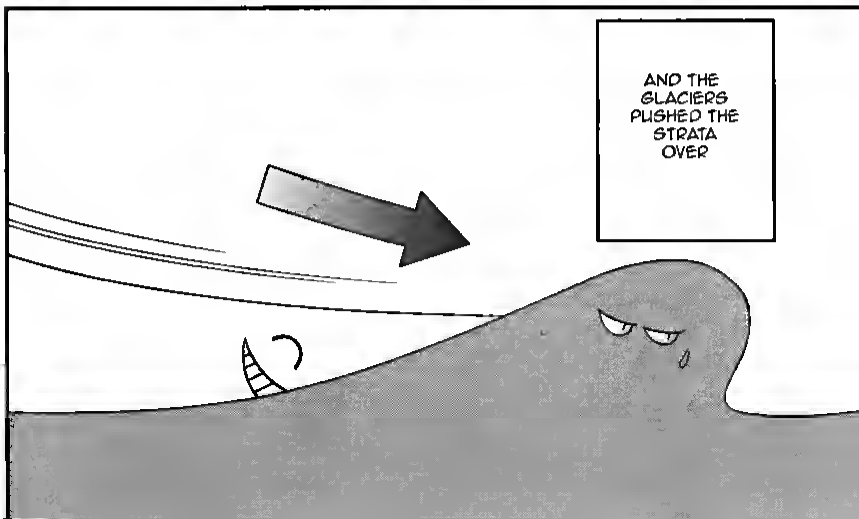
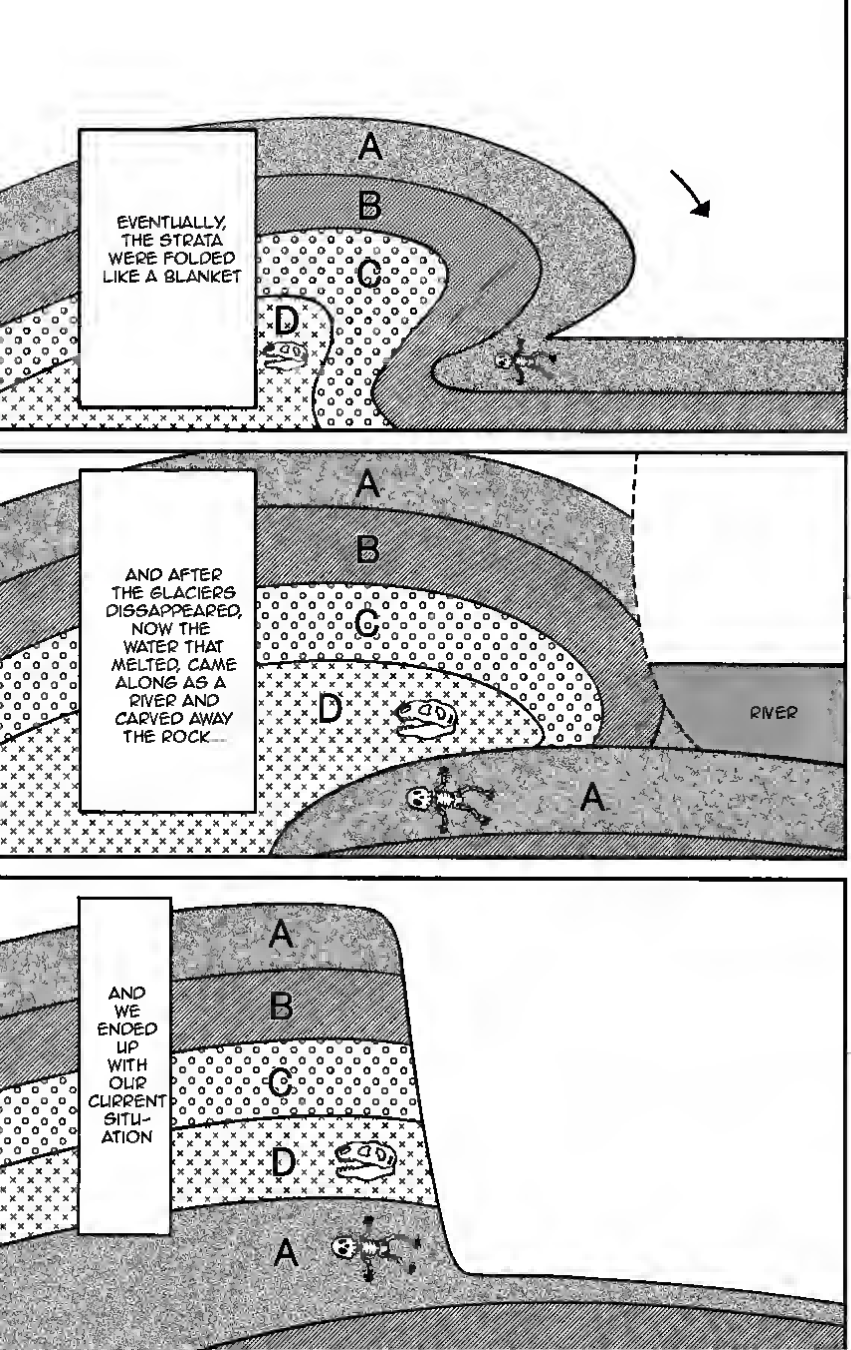

AFTER WHICH, 10,000 YEARS AGO, THE GLACIERS CAME ALONG...


AND THE GLACIERS PUSHED THE STRATA OVER


EVENTUALLY, THE STRATA WERE FOLDED LIKE A BLANKET
A
B
C
D
AND AFTER THE GLACIERS DISSAPPEARED, NOW THE WATER THAT MELTED, CAME ALONG AS A RIVER AND CARVED AWAY THE ROCK—
A
B
C
D
RIVER
A
AND WE ENDED UP WITH OUR CURRENT SITU-ATION
A
B
C
D
A

AND THIS IS THE END RESULT

THIS IS CALLED THE "BENT-FOLDED FAULT", AND IS SEEN IN THE ALPS IN EUROPE AS WELL

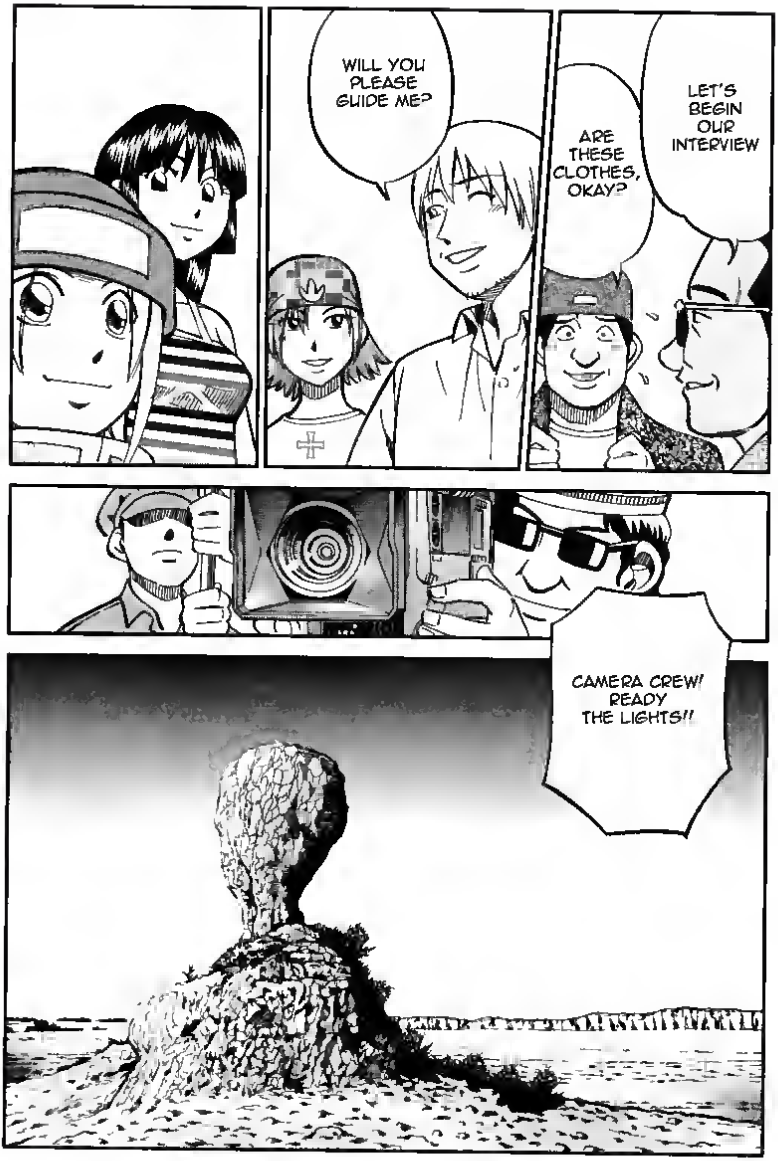
A
A
THIS IS THE REASON WHY THE STRATA ABOVE, AND BELOW ARE THE SAME

IF WE DIG BELOW THIS FAULT, WE CAN CONFIRM MY CONCLUSIONS

AMAZING!!
AH...
THIS IS AMAZING!! A MIRACLE OF NATURE, THAT CREATED SUCH AN AMAZING FOSSIL!
PLEASE, LET US COVER THIS IN OUR TV SHOW!
ALRIGHT!!
I WILL MAKE SURE THAT THIS IS DONE RIGHT, SCIENTIFICALLY! AND IF YOU BECOME OUR EXCLUSIVE RESEARCHERS, WE CAN PAY FOR YOUR DIGS!
BUT...
THIS IS PERFECT!! ACCEPT THEIR OFFER!

THAT'S RIGHT! I HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO CHOOSE WHAT HAPPENS TO THIS FOSSIL!!
I HAVE 2 CONDITIONS! FIRST OFF,
SEE, I TOLD YOU THIS WOULD HAPPEN!!
IT'LL LOOK COOLER THAT WAY!
DON'T DIG OUT THE FOSSILS THEMSELVES, DIG OUT THE ENTIRE SECTION TOGETHER, TO PRESERVE IT!
AND THE SECOND...
HE'S RIGHT... THAT'S A GOOD IDEA!

ONCE YOU DIG IT OUT, LEND THE FOSSIL TO ME FOR ONE MONTH, AND LET ME DISPLAY IT IN MY MUSEUM!
MY STORAGE ROOM ISN'T THAT LARGE
THAT'S IT? YOU'RE NOT GONNA TAKE AWAY THAT FOSSIL...
ALRIGHT!!



—Op.22:その差6千万年　完—

Sixty million years end

YO, AIZEN HERE

SORRY, BEEN A LITTLE UNDER THE WEATHER LATELY... IT'S GETTING COLD, AND YET IT FEELS WARM...

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Op.23 釘(くぎ)

The Nail

AN E-MAIL OF MISFORTUNE?
THAT'S RIGHT, NANASE-SAN
IT ARRIVED ON YOKOYARI'S CELL PHONE
EH, SO YOKOYARI-KUN IS GONNA GET EVEN MORE MISFORTUNATE THAN HE IS ALREADY!?
I FEEL SORRY FOR YOU!
DO YOU WANT ME TO MAKE YOU THE LAST THING THAT TOUCHES THIS CELLPHONE?

SO, WHAT'S THE PICTURE LOOK LIKE?
MAN, HOW DO THEY KEEP COMING UP WITH THESE THINGS
IT SAYS "IF YOU DON'T MAKE THIS PICTURE INTO YOUR BACKGROUND WALLPAPER, YOU WILL RECEIVE GRAVE MISFORTUNES"
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機能
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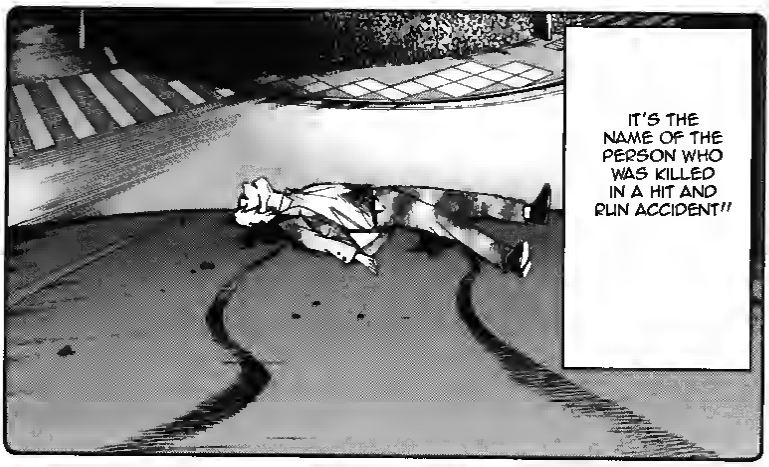
STOP THAT!
LET'S LOCK HIM OUT SO THAT HE WON'T BE ABLE TO CHANGE THE PICTURE TO ANYTHING ELSE!
WOW!!
IS THAT A VOODOO DOLL USED IN CURSES?
SO SCARY!!
WHAT IS IT, SHINRA
HUH?
I'VE SEEN IT BEFORE!
IT'S TRUE
THIS TEMPLE...
ISN'T IT THE ONE NEAR OUR SCHOOL?
SERIOUSLY!? I WONDER IF I CAN CAPTURE ANY PICTURES OF GHOSTS?
LET'S TRY GOING THERE AFTER SCHOOL!!
YOU MEAN THE STUFF THAT IS ALWAYS SHOWING UP BEHIND YOU!?

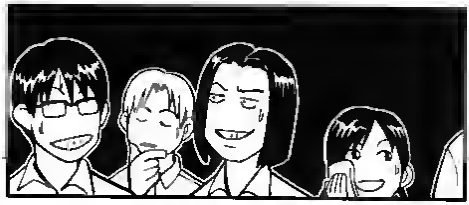
AH!!
DID YOU FIND IT?
LOOK! THERE!
IT'S SO HIGH UP!!
FROM THE ANGLE OF THE PICTURE, IT SHOULD BE AROUND HERE...

IT'S A LITTLE ABOVE 2 METERS
MUST HAVE BEEN SOMEONE WHO WAS VERY TALL
NO WONDER WE COULDN'T FIND IT
WELL, WE WERE LOOKING FOR SOMETHING LOWER, SO...
MAYBE HE NAILED IT IN THERE A LONG TIME AGO, AND THEN THE TREE GREW?
I SEE!
ポン
SHINRA! HOW MUCH DOES A JAPANESE CEDAR TREE, GROW IN A YEAR?
WITH A SIZE LIKE THIS, MAYBE 1 METER A YEAR....
SO, IF SOMEONE NAILED THIS IN AT AROUND 160 CM HEIGHTWISE...
IF IT'S OVER 2 METERS NOW, THEN....

THERE'S SOMETHING WRITTEN ON THE PAPER
IT WAS NAILED IN, MAYBE HALF A YEAR AGO.
AH
THE PICTURE WAS TOO BLURY, WE CAN'T READ IT ON HERE EITHER
DON'T TOUCH IT!!
YOWATARI... TAKEO..?
SOUNDS LIKE SOMEONE'S NAME
YOU'LL GET CURSED!!

I HAVE, TOO!
HUH? I'VE HEARD OF THAT NAME BEFORE....


IT'S THE NAME OF THE PERSON WHO WAS KILLED IN A HIT AND RUN ACCIDENT!!



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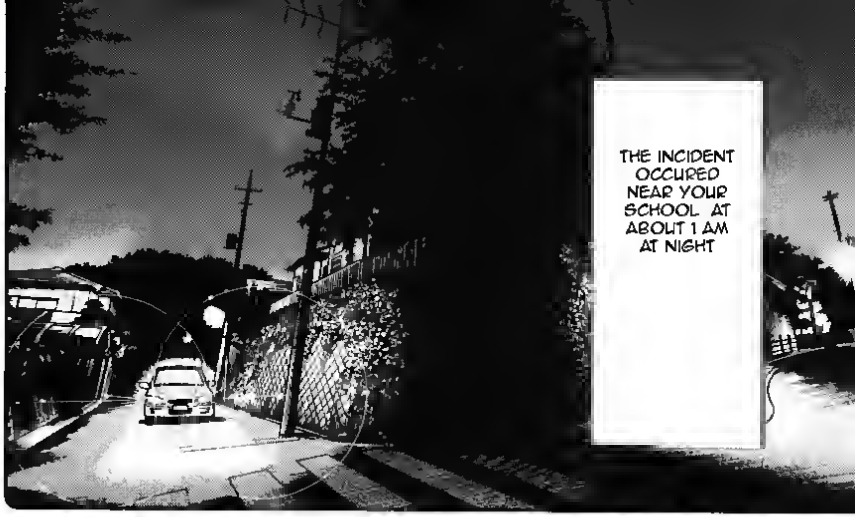
IT WAS OUT IN THE NEWSPAPERS AS WELL, ABOUT HALF A YEAR AGO, RIGHT?
HALF A YEAR AGO, WOULD BE THE SAME TIME THE VOODOO DOLL WAS NAILED UP HERE...

CAFE IN
AH! I REMEMBER!
THE HIT AND RUN ACCIDENT, FOR YOWATARI TAKEO...?
DETECIVE
KUJIRAZAKI TAKESHI
. . . . . .
IF YOU DON'T TELL US, I WON'T HELP YOU EVER AGAIN, DETECTIVE KUJIRAZAKI!
SHINRA!
I CAN'T TALK ABOUT THIS TO OUTSIDERS...
WHAT KIND OF INCIDENT, WAS IT?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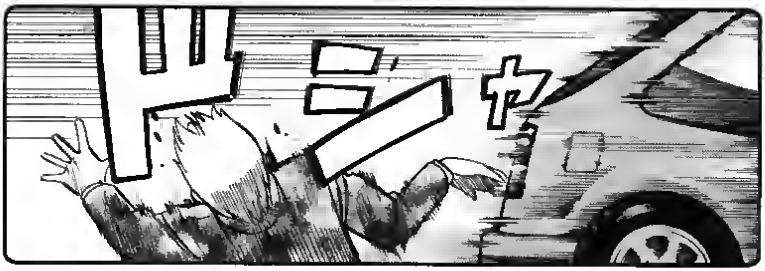
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BUT THE CULPRIT TURNED HIMSELF IN, THE NEXT DAY

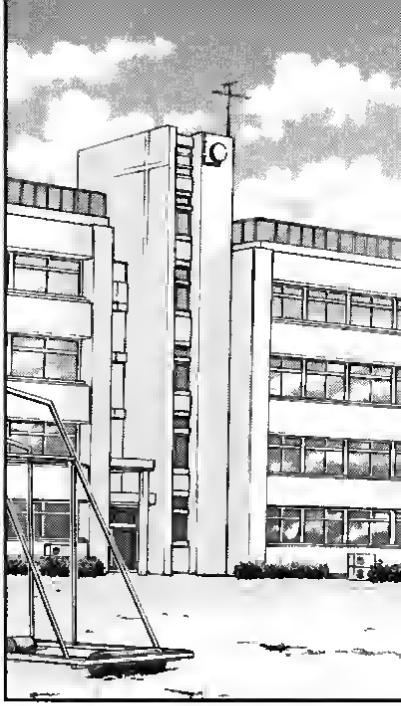
THE VICTIM DIED, AND THE CULPRIT DROVE AWAY

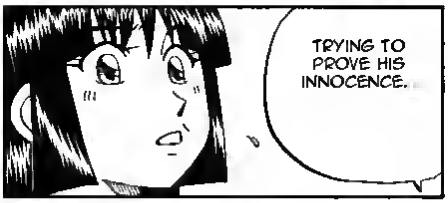
THE CULPRIT WAS A UNIVERSITY STUDENT, DEAIGASHIRA EISUKE
AND HE SPENT ONLY 4 MONTHS IN JAIL
HE WASN'T DRINKING, AND WE FOUND OUT THE VICTIM HAD BEEN DRINKING HEAVILY, SO THE INCIDENT WAS DEEMED AN ACCIDENT....
DEAIGASHIRA SAID THAT THE VICTIM SUDDENLY CAME OUT OF THE DARKNESS, AND THAT HE COULDN'T AVOID HITTING HIM
HUH?
HE'S BEEN RELEASED NOW, AND IS FIGHTING A COURT CASE, I BELIEVE

WELL...
WHAT IS THERE TO FIGHT ABOUT, IF HE TURNED HIMSELF IN?
HE'S CLAIMING THAT AT THE TIME OF THE ACCIDENT.
SOMEONE PUSHED THE VICTIM ONTO THE STREETS
HUH?
THAT'S WHY HE'S SAYING THAT HE ISN'T AT FAULT FOR THIS ACCIDENT

BUT OUR CRIME SCENE UNITS, HAVE SAID THAT THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF SUCH A PERSON
IT WOULD MEAN THAT THE CULPRIT WAS ANGRY AT THE VICTIM, ENOUGH TO WANT TO HAVE HIM KILLED, RIGHT
IF HE WAS TELLING THE TRUTH, AND IF SOMEONE DID PUSH THE VICTIM ONTO THE STREETS
WELL, YEAH, BUT ONLY IF WE CAN FIND SUCH A PERSON
WITHOUT EVIDENCE, THOUGH, THE POLICE AND THE DA REALLY CAN'T MOVE, THOUGH

THE HELL, NANASE, YOU DIDN'T TELL HIM ABOUT THE VOODOO DOLL!
HE'LL JUST LAUGH US OUT!
WELL, IT'S NOT VERY CONCRETE EVIDENCE, AFTER ALL




TRYING TO PROVE HIS INNOCENCE.

MAYBE WE SOULD TELL THAT PERSON ABOUT THE VOODOO DOLL?

BUT THE CULPRIT IS FIGHTING THIS IN COURT, RIGHT

WHY ME!!
COME ON! KNOCK!
YOU ONLY USE THAT AT A TIME LIKE THIS!
YOU'RE THE MAN, RIGHT!
YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE ACCIDENT?
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WHO ARE YOU?
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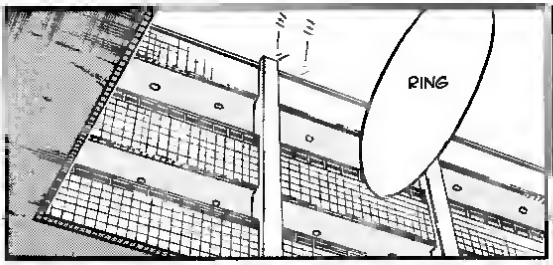
AT THE TIME... I WAS EXPELLED FROM UNIVERSITY, AND MY MOTHER WAS CRYING ALOT, IT WAS A TERRIBLE TIME FOR ME
DID THIS HAPPEN...
WHY....
I LEFT MY SCHOOL BOOKS HERE, BECAUSE I THOUGHT I COULD RETURN TO SCHOOL ONCE I PROVE THAT I AM INNOCENT.
UH, UMM.. CAN YOU PLEASE COME WITH US?

WE THINK IT MIGHT BE SOMEONE WHO HATED YOWATARI-SAN
WHAT!?
WHAT'S THIS..?
YOWATARI'S NAME IS WRITTEN ON THAT PEICE OF CLOTH
?
IT...IT'S JUST AS MY LAWYER, SAID!
HE SAID THAT HE HAD INVESTIGATED THE INCIDENT
WHAT DID YOUR LAWYER TELL YOU?
THERE WAS A WOMAN WHO HAD AN EXTREME GRUDGE AGAINST YOWATARI-SAN
WHEN I TOLD HIM THAT I SAW SOMEONE PUSH THE VICTIM INFRONT OF MY CAR..

THIS PERSON
HER NAME IS BABA TSUKAMI...
I WILL TRY AND INVESTIGATE HER
PLEASE, DO!!
APPARENTLY, SHE WAS THE VICTIM OF A MARRIAGE SCAM....
HUH?
YES!! THIS IS THE EVIDENCE!!
LOOKING AT THE HEIGHT OF THIS TREE, THIS THING WAS NAILED HERE 6 MONHTS AGO!!
IT'S AROUND THE SAME TIME THE ACCIDENT OCURRED!!
THANKS!

WITH THIS, I CAN PROVE MY INNOCENCE!
HOW TIRESOME...
LOOKS LIKE WE'LL HAVE TO INVESTIGATE THIS OURSELVES
SO HOT
WHO THE HELL WAS IT THAT DECIDED TO SHOW HIM THE VOODOO DOLL!
THERE'S NO WAY THAT THE DOLL WOULD BE EVIDENCE FOR ANYTHING
IT'S THE ADDRESS THE LAWYER GAVE US
THIS IS THE GIRL NAMED BABA'S MANSION?
WE SHOULDN'T GIVE THE DEFENDANT, SOME FALSE HOPE!!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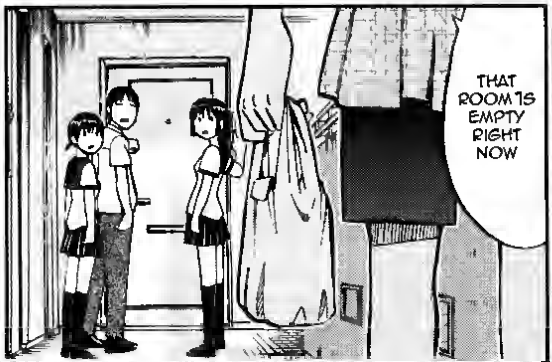
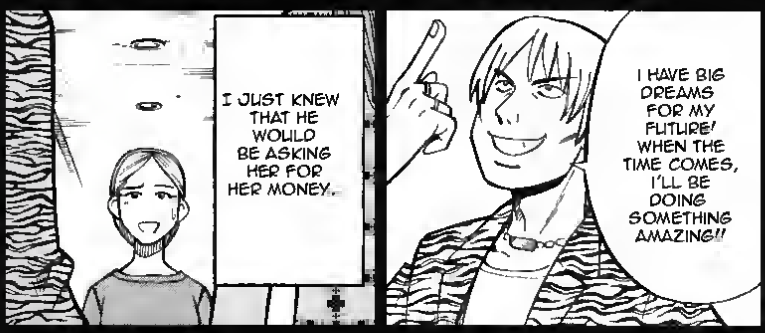
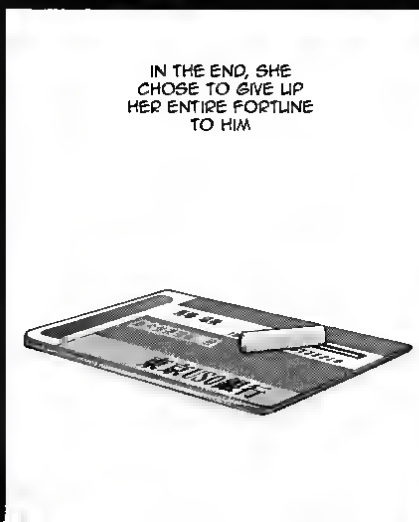

THAT ROOM IS EMPTY RIGHT NOW

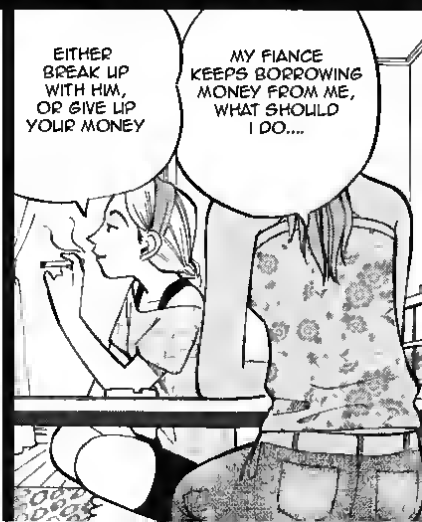
RING

BABA-SAN, WHO USED TO LIVE THERE, RETURNED TO HER HOME TOWN
UMM .. I HEARD SHE HAD SOME TROUBLE WITH SOMEONE SHE WAS DATING ..
OH, SO YOU'RE HER NEICE! I NEVER KNEW SHE HAD ONE
AH! YOWATARI, RIGHT? HE WAS TERRIBLE!
AH.. I SEE

SHE INTRODUCED HIM AS HER FIANCE, BUT
THEY DIDN'T LOOK LIKE THEY WERE IN LOVE... HE HAD THE WORD "POISON" WRITTEN ALL OVER HIS FACE


I JUST KNEW THAT HE WOULD BE ASKING HER FOR HER MONEY.
I HAVE BIG DREAMS FOR MY FUTURE! WHEN THE TIME COMES, I'LL BE DOING SOMETHING AMAZING!!


IN THE END, SHE CHOSE TO GIVE UP HER ENTIRE FORTUNE TO HIM


MY FIANCE KEEPS BORROWING MONEY FROM ME, WHAT SHOULD I DO....
EITHER BREAK UP WITH HIM, OR GIVE UP YOUR MONEY

I SUPPOSE SO, AS LONG AS HE ISN'T CHEATING ON YOU OR ANYTHING
BUT WE'RE GETTING MARRIED, SO THIS SHOULDN'T BE A PROBLME, RIGHT?
BUT THIS ALSO TURNED OUT TO BE TRUE
I GOT THIS SCAR TRYING TO WRESTLE A KNIFE OUT OF HER HANDS...
ALTHOUGH, SHE NEVER COULD LAUGH AT HER OWN MISTAKES...
SHE WAS TRICKED BY HIM, SO SMOOTHLY, THAT ALL ONE COULD DO WAS LAUGH AT HOW FOOLISH SHE WAS
ONCE YOWATARI DIED IN THE CAR ACCIDENT, SHE STARTED TO SETTLE DOWN, THOUGH

SHE WENT BACK TO HER HOME TOWN
SHE'S PROBABLY DOING FINE RIGHT NOW
WAS TSUKAMI-SAN, DEEP INTO THE OCCULT LIKE CHARMS AND FORTUNE TELLING?
AH... THIS MAY SOUND A BIT STRANGE, BUT
UMMM
THAT IS A WEIRD THING TO ASK OF ME
WELL, FOR EXAMPLE, WOULD SHE EVER PUT A CURSE ON SOMEONE, TO TRY AND GET THEM KILLED
WHAT?

NO...
SHE WAS JUST AN ORDINARY GIRL

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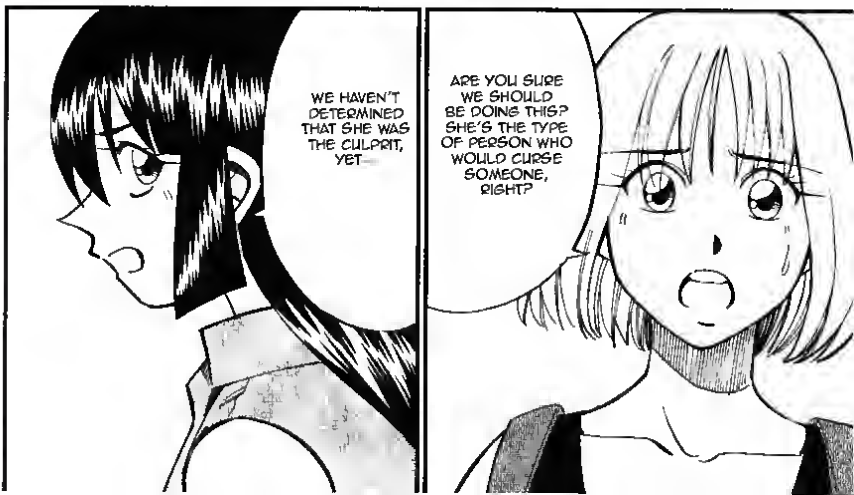
SO THIS IS THE TOWN THAT THAT GIRL WENT BACK TO?
LOOKS LIKE A NORMAL TOWN TO ME


ARE YOU SURE WE SHOULD BE DOING THIS? SHE'S THE TYPE OF PERSON WHO WOULD CURSE SOMEONE, RIGHT?
WE HAVEN'T DETERMINED THAT SHE WAS THE CULPRIT, YET—

IN ANY CASE, WE NEED TO MEET HER, IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHAT KIND OF PERSON SHE IS
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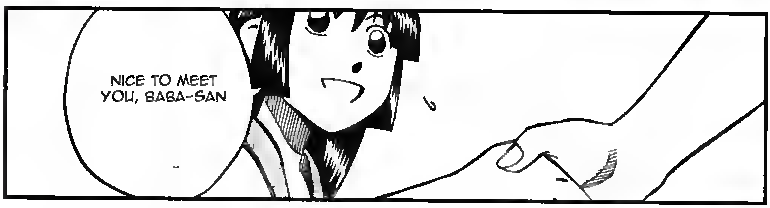
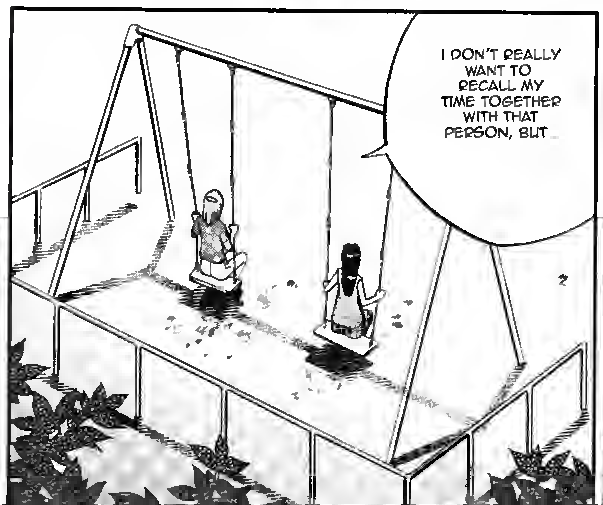
THAT PERSON IS BABA-SAN...
THE PERSON ON THE NUMBER 3 CASH REGISTER
WHICH PERSON IS IT?

I'M SORRY TO BOTHER YOU DURING YOUR LUNCH BREAK...


NICE TO MEET YOU, BABA-SAN


I DON'T REALLY WANT TO RECALL MY TIME TOGETHER WITH THAT PERSON, BUT...

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I GOT MY PARENTS INVOLVED AS WELL...
YOUR PARENTS?
THEY HELPED IN RETURNING SOME OF THE MONEY HE BORROWED
DID YOU HATE HIM SO MUCH THAT YOU WISHED HE WAS DEAD?
...TRUTHFULLY SPEAKING, I'M GLAD HE DIED
WELL, WE FOUND SOMETHING LIKE THIS, NEAR OUR SCHOOL...
APPARENTLY, IT WAS SOMETHING THAT WAS NAILED, ABOUT HALF A YEAR AGO, RIGHT AROUND THE TIME WHEN YOWATARI-SAN DIED...
YOWATARI-SAN'S NAME IS WRITTEN ON THE CLOTH...
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GIGGLE GIGGLE
I'D NEVER DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS
HAHAHAHA!
AHAHAHAHA!

IS THIS WHY YOU CAME HERE FROM TOKYO?
OKAY, SINCE YOU MADE IT ALL THE WAY HERE, I'LL TELL YOU SOMETHING GOOD
BUT KEEP IT A SECRET, OKAY
THE REAL REASON THAT YOWATARI DIED, IS BECAUSE...
SHE REALLY IS JUST A NORMAL PERSON...
AH...

GOD LISTENED TO MY PRAYERS

SO THAT GIRL WAS THE CULPRIT, WASN'T SHE?
HEY, STOP THAT!
I WONDER IF WE'RE GONNA DIE TOO, IF WE DON'T GET EXCORSIZED?
WHAT, SHE KILLED HIM WITH A CURSE?
THEN WHY WAS THAT VOOOOO DOLL THERE!?
MAYBE DEAISASHIRA-SAN MADE A MISTAKE?
BUT DETECTIVE KUJIRAZAKI SAID THAT THEY COULDN'T FIND ANY EVIDENCE THAT HE WAS PUSHED....
NO, NOT THAT, I'M TALKING ABOUT HER BEING THE CULPRIT WHO PUSHED THE GUY INFRONT OF THE CAR!!

THE VOODOO DOLL, THAT IS USED TO CURSE PEOPLE TO DEATH...
THE FIRST METHOD OF KILLING SOMEONE WITH A CURSE, WAS
BUT TRADITIONALLY, WHEN YOU CURSE SOMEONE, YOU DIDN'T USE A VOODOO DOLL
TO HAMMER A NAIL DIRECTLYINTO A LIVING TREE...!

IT WAS CONSIDERED VERY BAD LUCK TO STRIKE A NAIL DIRECTLY INTO A LIVING TREE
SHINPA... WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
WHO WAS THE PERSON WHO NAILED THE VOODOO DOLL, INTO THE TREE?
WAS YOWATARI-SAN KILLED BECAUSE OF AN ACCIDENT, OR WAS HE MURDERED?
STRANGE THINGS HAPPEN, WHEN YOU STRIKE A NAIL INTO A LIVING TREE...
NOW, AND IN THE PAST...

THE UJI KINTOKI SNOW CONE AT TANAKAYA ON THE WAY HOME, SURE TASTES GOOD, RIGHT?
SO, WHAT ARE YOU ASKING IN RETURN?
WELL THEN...
THAT'S THE MOST EXPENSIVE THING ON THE MENU!
SERIOUSLY
EVERYONE, CHIP IN A DOLLAR
I SHALL ESCORT YOU TO THE "WUNDER KAMMER"

IT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN A REAL VOODOO DOLL LIKE THIS
OH...

IT DOES HAVE THE NAME OF YOWATARI-SAN, WHO DIED, WRITTEN ON IT...
W, WAIT! YOU'RE NOT THINKING OF USING THIS AS EVIDENCE THAT SOMEONE ELSE KILLED HIM.....
BUT IT IS!

THERE IS A WOMAN CALLED BABA, AND SHE WANTED YOWATARI-SAN DEAD SO BADLY,
THAT SHE NAILED IN A VOODOO DOLL INTO THE TREE!!
SHE WAS THE ONE WHO PUSHED HIM INFRONT OF MY CAR!!
THAT HEIGHT PROVES THAT IT WAS NAILED HALF A YEAR AGO!
IT PERFECTLY MATCHES UP WITH THE TIME OF THE ACCIDENT!
BUT THIS PROVES THAT THERE WAS A PERSON WHO WANTED HIM KILLED, RIGHT?
BUT YOU CAN'T POSSIBLY PROVE THAT THIS DOLL HAS ANYTHING TO DO WITH YOUR ACCIDENT!

ATLEAST INVESTIGATE THIS OTHER WOMAN!!
I'M INNOCENT!!
SHINRA, WAS THIS VOODOO DOLL REALLY NAILED HERE BY THAT WOMAN?
NOPE

DEAIGASHIRA-SAN HIMSELF NAILED THIS HERE
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM TO HAVE NAILED IT HERE!
DEAIGASHIRA-SAN WAS IN JAIL, AT THE TIME
WAIT, SHINRA! THIS DOLL WAS NAILED HERE, HALF A YEAR AGO!
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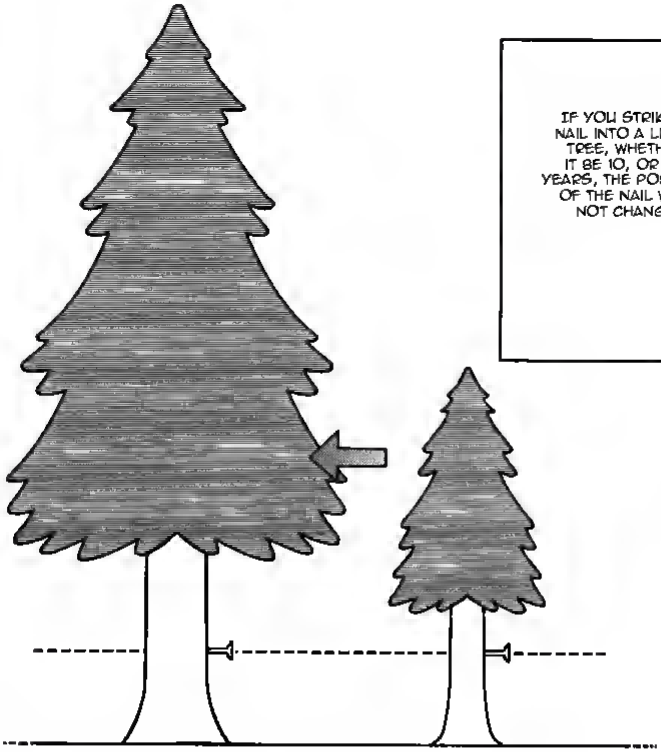
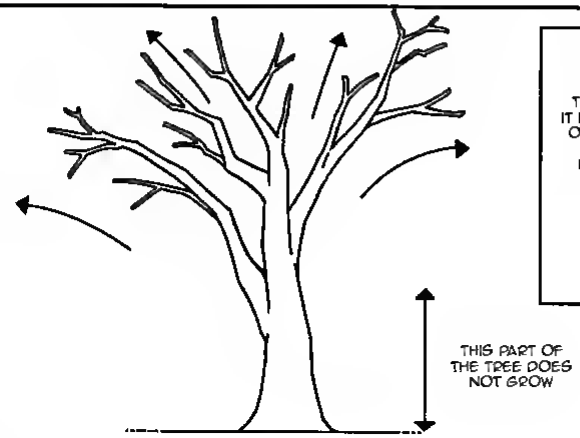
IT WASN'T HALF A YEAR AGO, THAT THE VOODOO DOLL WAS NAILED HERE
DETECTIVE, PLEASE IGNORE THE RAMBLINGS OF THIS KID...
HE'S RIGHT! DON'T SAY SUCH NONSENSE!
IN ORDER TO MAKE IT APPEAR AS THOUGH IT WAS NAILED HERE HALF A YEAR AGO
SOMEONE WHO PROBABLY USED A STEP LADDER, NAILED IT HERE JUST RECENTLY
WOULD YOU DRIVE AWAY, AFTER HITTING SOMEONE WHO WAS PUSHED INFRONT OF YOUR CAR?
THINK ABOUT IT

AT THE VERY LEAST, RUNNING AWAY IS THE LAST THING YOU WOULD DO, SINCE IT WOULD MAKE YOU THE NUMBER ONE SUSPECT, IT'S THE WORST POSSIBLE ACTION YOU COULD DO
USUALLY, YOU WOULD CONTACT THE POLICE, OR CHASE AFTER THE PERSON WHO PUSHED HIM, RIGHT

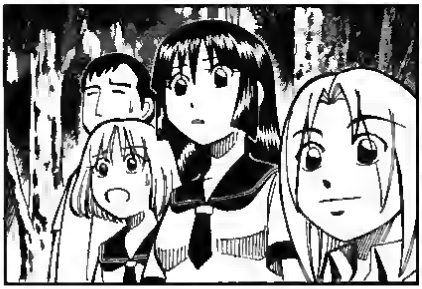
AND ALSO
I... I WAS FLUSTERED AT THE TIME...
HE'S RIGHT...
AH!

ACTUALLY, THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE
YOU NAILED THE DOLL 2 METERS ABOVE THE GROUND, IN ORDER TO MAKE IT APPEAR AS THOUGH IT WAS NAILED THERE HALF A YEAR AGO, BUT...
THE MOST DEFINITIVE PEICE OF EVIDENCE, IS
THE FACT THAT "STRANGE THINGS HAPPEN WHEN YOU STRIKE A NAIL INTO A LIVING TREE"!


IF YOU STRIKE A NAIL INTO A LIVING TREE, WHETHER IT BE 10, OR 20 YEARS, THE POSITION OF THE NAIL WILL NOT CHANGE


THIS IS BECAUSE IT IS THE BRANCHES OF THE TREE THAT GROW, AND NOT THE TRUNK
THIS PART OF THE TREE DOES NOT GROW

HE SET THIS UP SO THAT HE COULD ESCAPE BEING PUNISHED FOR RUNNING THE VICTIM OVER
HE TRIED TO BLAME THE GIRL THAT HIS LAWYER TOLD HIM ABOUT
AND SENT OUT "E-MAILS OF MISFORTUNE" HOPING THAT SOMEONE WOULD FIGURE IT OUT
AND SO, HE NAILED THE VOODOO DOLL AT THAT HEIGHT, INTO THE TREE, AND TOOK A PICTURE
AAH!!!



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THIS IS ALL BECAUSE OF YOKOYARI'S EMAIL OF MISFORTUNE!
HERE YOU GO, THE UJI KINTOKI SNOW CONE
I'LL SEND IT TO YOU GUYS AS WELL

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SORRY FOR THE
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THIS PAST WEEK
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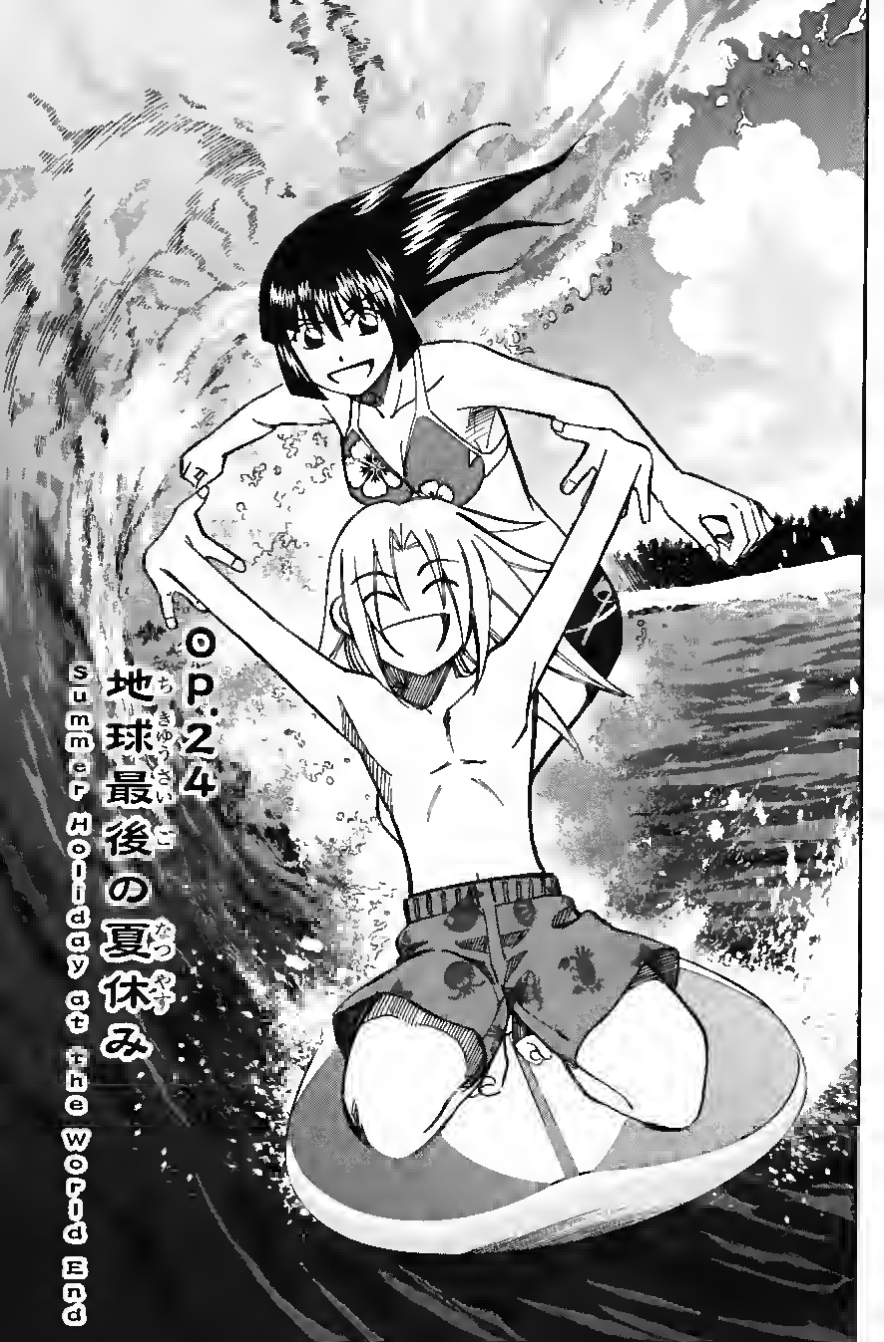
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Summer Holiday at the World End

THE LAST DAY OF SUMMER BREAK...
SALE

ARE YOU GOING TO AN AFTER SCHOOL CLUB?
OR FINISHING UP SOME HOMEWORK?
I WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR BRAVERY!!
WE'RE STARTING THE "WHO CARES ABOUT WHAT'LL HAPPEN LATER! LET'S GO TO THE BEACH" PLAN!!
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STATION

LET US SPEND OUR LAST DAYS WITHOUT REGRET!
HEY, TATSUKI!
YO!
IT'LL BE MORE FUN IF WE INVITE MORE PEOPLE
THERE ARE QUITE A FEW PEOPLE WHO CAME HERE
MISS NANASE!
HIS UTTER LACK OF CARE TOWARDS HOW PEOPLE FEEL, IS HIS STRONG POINT, I SUPPOSE
BUT, YOKOYARI-KUN REALLY LIKES TO PLAN THESE EVENTS, DOESN'T HE
WELL THEN, LET'S MOVE OUT!!

I'M GONNA CAPTURE A TON OF SEA ANIMALS
AND SHOWCASE THEM IN MY MUSEUM!
NO WORK, NO RESEARCH— I AM BANNING YOU FROM ANYTHING SCIENCE-RELATED TODAY!

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3 PEOPLE COULDN'T COME?
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KUWABARA AND KAWAGOE...
AND ALSO SUNASHIRO-SAN
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KUWABARA HAS TO GO TO HIS AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
WHY DIDN'T THEY COME?
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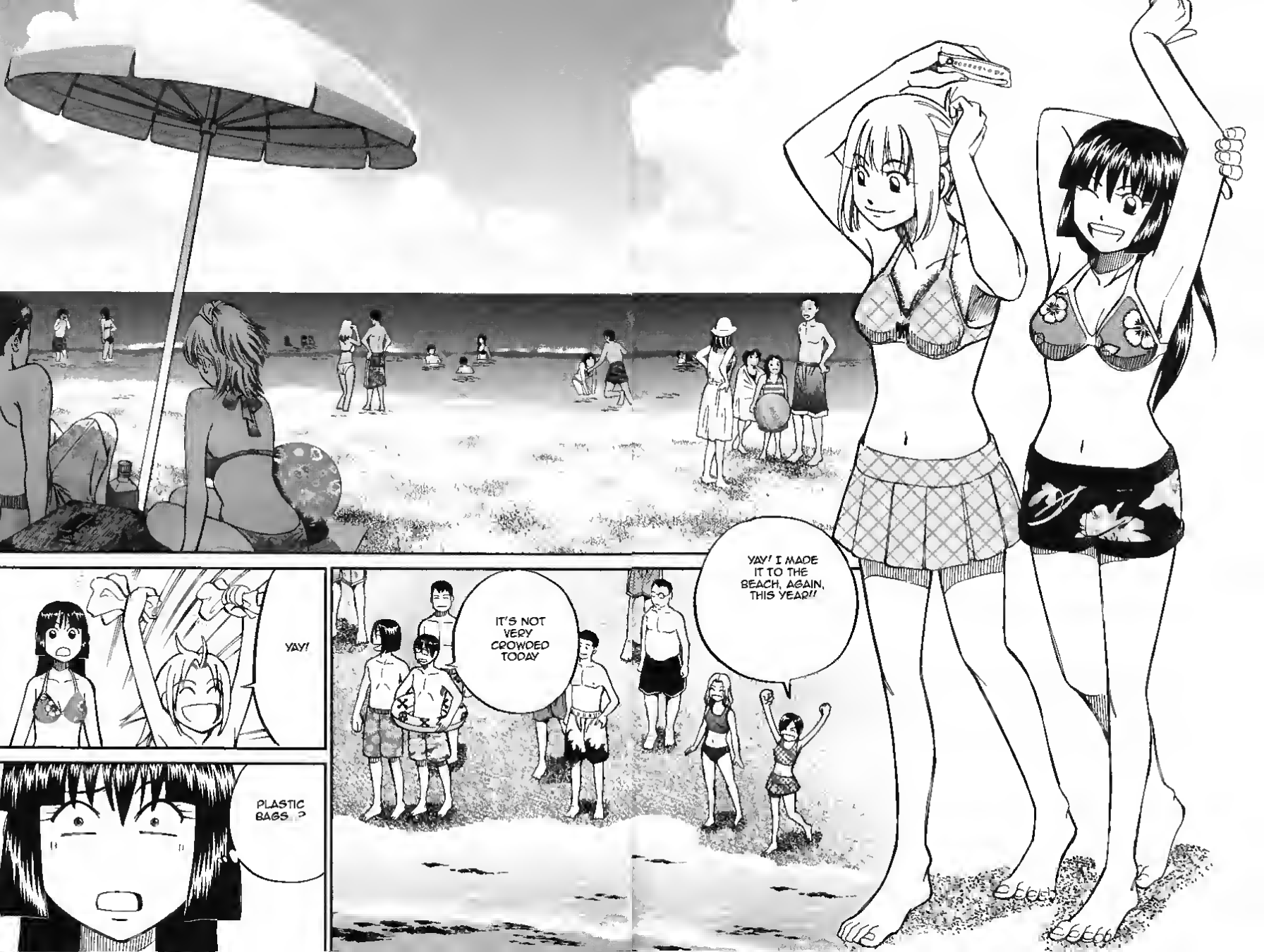
KAWAGOE AND SUNASHIRO ARE IN SUMMER SCHOOL
THERE PROBABLY AREN'T THAT MANY PEOPLE ATTENDING TODAY, THOUGH.
WOW, HE'S PRETTY SERIOUS
I CAN'T BELIEVE THEY DIDN'T COME
DON'T SAY THINGS LIKE THAT!
AH! YOU HIT MY CHARACTER!
UGH, YOU KILLED ME!!
I'M NEVER GONNA INVITE THOSE THREE TO JOIN US, EVER AGAIN!
STAB


YAY!
PLASTIC BAGS...?
IT'S NOT VERY CROWDED TODAY
YAY! I MADE IT TO THE BEACH, AGAIN, THIS YEAR!!

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IF WE GET INTO TROUBLE, LET US GRAB ON TO YOUR LIFE PRESERVER!
LET'S GO OUT OF BOUNDS!
OF COURSE, I NEVER LEAVE MY FRIENDS BEHIND!
DON'T LET IT DROP!
YOU THERE, DON'T MOVE OUTSIDE THE ROPE!!
GET IT!

WE HAD A GOOD ROUND GOING, AND YOU RUINED IT!!
WHY THE HELL DID YOU DO THAT FOR!
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'LL GET POINTS FOR THAT!
TAKE THIS!!
LOOK, MISS NANASE!A
A NUDIBRANCH AND A BOXFISH!

AH
YOU'RE BANNED FROM COLLECTING!
MISS NANASE
WELL, HE DOES HAVE THE POWER TO ATTRACT ANIMALS
SAKAKI-KUN IS REALLY GOOD AT CAPTURING ANIMALS
HE'S GONNA BE DRAGGED DOWN TO THE BOTTOM OF THE OCEAN IF THIS CONTINUES
PLEASE MOVE THE ANIMAL OUTSIDE OF THE ROPE!
WHAT ABOUT A WHALE SHARK? IT'S REALLY RARE!

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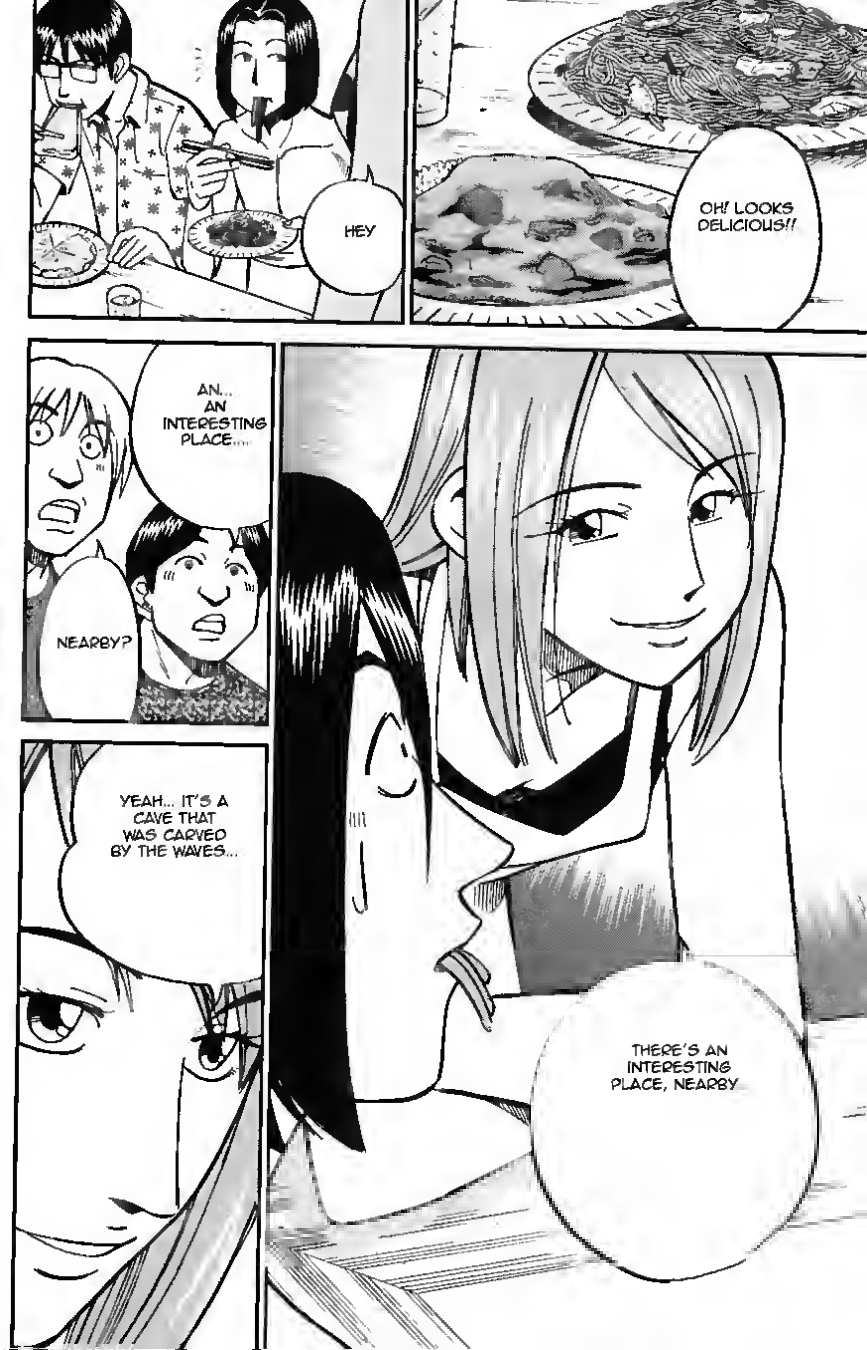
YEAH, THAT ACTRESS FROM THAT DRAMA SERIES
HEY, DOESN'T THE WAITER LOOK LIKE HER?
3 FRIED NOODLES, AND 2 BAKED PANCAKES!
I'LL HAVE SOME FRIED NOODLES!
RIGHT!! THE WOMAN WHO PLAYED THE PART OF THE DOCTOR!

SEKIYAMA-SAN, I'VE PUT MORE ICE INTO THE FRIDGE
NOT FOR LUNCH!!
SNOW CONE! STRAWBERRY AND MELON FLAVOR!!
WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE A DRINK WITH ME, LATER?
I'M SORRY, I HAVE TO FEED MY CAT
OWNER OF THE VILLA ON THE OCEAN
SEKIYAMA HARUKA
AH, THAT'S TOO BAD!
BUT ASK ME AGAIN NEXT TIME!

YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO HASN'T DECIDED!
MMM
HAVE YOU DECIDED?
UH....
THEY HAVE CURRY... AND ODEN AS WELL...
WHO CARES, JUST PICK ALREADY!
PEOPLE CAN BECOME HAPPY BY CONTINUING TO CHOOSE THE RIGHT CHOICES!
IDIOT!! THERE IS ALWAYS A PERFECT CHOICE!!
PLEASE GIVE THIS GUY SOME SEA WATER


HEY
OH! LOOKS DELICIOUS!!
AN... AN INTERESTING PLACE....
NEARBY?
YEAH... IT'S A CAVE THAT WAS CARVED BY THE WAVES...
THERE'S AN INTERESTING PLACE, NEARBY

15 YEARS AGO, 2 BOYS AND 3 GIRLS...
A TOTAL OF 5 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, ENTERED INSIDE
WATCH YOUR STEP
NO, I CAN'T GET THROUGH HERE!
DAMN, YOU'RE CLUMSY
COME ON!
THANKS...
AFTER A WHILE, THEY NOTICED SOMETHING STRANGE
HUH? WE'RE MISSING SOMEONE...

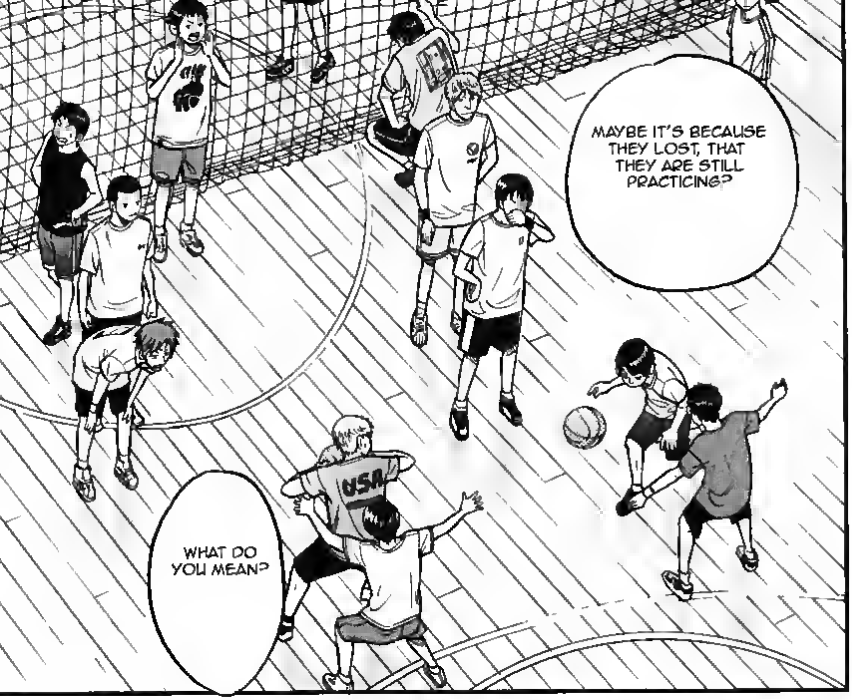
THEY PROBABLY WENT UP AHEAD
IMPOSSIBLE! WE DIDN'T HEAR ANYONE FALL IN
DID SOMEONE FALL INTO THE OCEAN?
SHE'S NOT HERE
AND THE 4 STUDENTS REACHED THE END OF THE CAVERN WITHOUT SEEING THE 5TH GIRL
AND AT THAT MOMENT
*HAHAHAHAHAHA
THE CAVERN GOES IN A STRAIGHT LINE, AND IS ABOUT 100 METERS LONG

A STRANGE LAUGHING SOUND, ECHOED THROUGH THE DARK CAVERN
IT STOPPED
THE 4 STUDENTS, CLOSED THEIR EYES AND PLUGGED THEIR EARS, WAITING FOR THE TERROR TO PASS
AND THE 4 STUDENTS RAN OUT OF THE CAVERN

THERE'S A CAVERN LIKE THAT, NEARBY
ARE YOU INTERESTED?
WHAT HAPPENED TO THE GIRL THAT DISS-APEARED?
BUT, THE 4 STUDENTS FELT SHAMEFUL THAT THEY LEFT HER ALONE AND RAN
WHEN SCHOOL BEGAN, SHE WAS THERE ON THE FIRST DAY
AND SO, EVER SINCE, THE GIRL AND THE OTHER 4 STUDENTS, DRIFTED APART

NOW, NOW... YOU'RE JUST TRYING TO SCARE US, AREN'T YOU!
OKAY, THEN HOW ABOUT THIS?
THE STORY I TOLD YOU, IS ALL TRUE!
THERE'S NO WAY I'LL BELIEVE HER STORY!!!

WE'RE JUST HERE TO CHECK IT OUT
WITH THIS MANY PEOPLE, WE SHOULD BE FINE
YEAH, AND I'LL SHOVE YOU INFRONT OF ME
EVEN IF A MONSTER COMES OUT, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO RUN AWAY WHILE IT EATS 2 OR 3 OF US!
THE BASKETBALL CLUB, LOST IT'S REGIONALS SO THERE ARE NO MORE MATCHES THIS YEAR, RIGHT
OH, BY THE WAY, WHY IS KUWABARA-KUN STILL ATTENDING HIS SCHOOL SPORTS ACTIVITIES?
OH, YOU'RE RIGHT... I WONDER WHY HE DIDN'T COME ALONG WITH US TO THE BEACH


MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE THEY LOST, THAT THEY ARE STILL PRACTICING?
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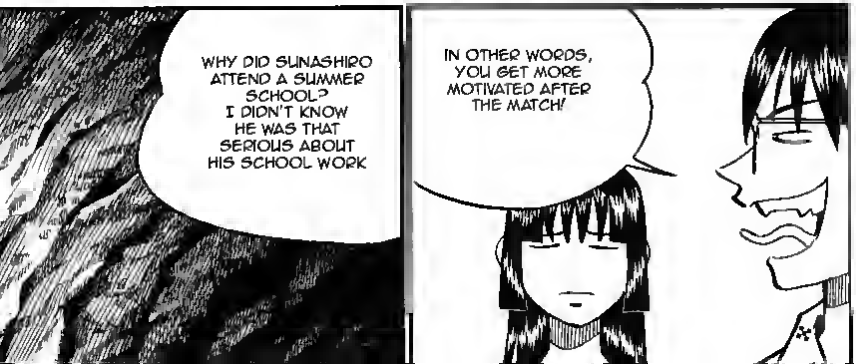
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

YOU KNOW HOW YOU SOMETIMES START STUDYING HARDER, AFTER YOUR TEST IS OVER


WHY DID SUNASHIRO ATTEND A SUMMER SCHOOL? I DIDN'T KNOW HE WAS THAT SERIOUS ABOUT HIS SCHOOL WORK
IN OTHER WORDS, YOU GET MORE MOTIVATED AFTER THE MATCH!

WELL, SHE WAS ATTENDING SUMMER SCHOOL ON A WHIM,
AND IF SHE ATTENDS THE SCHOOL FOR ONE MORE DAY, SHE WILL HAVE ATTENDED EVERY CLASS THAT WAS HELD...
SO SHE SAID THAT SHE MIGHT AS WELL ATTEND TODAY AS WELL
WHY DID KAWAGOE ATTEND SUMMER SCHOOL TODAY?
WELL...
YEAH, THAT'S DEFINATELY THE REASON
YEAH RIGHT
GOOD FOR HER!

I'LL TELL! I'LL TELL YOU!!
IS IT A SECRET THAT IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN YOUR LIFE?
AH, I CAN'T TELL YOU
OKAY, SO WHAT'S THE REASON?
DON'T WORRY, I NEVER SPILL MY SECRETS!
BUT YOU HAVE TO KEEP THIS A SECRET, OKAY!
KAWAGOE IS IN LOVE WITH SUNASHIRO?
WHAT!!?

*OH MY
EVERYONE KNOWS, NOW
EVEN THOUGH YOU NEVER SPILL YOUR SECRETS, YOUR VOICE IS TOO LOUD...
ALRIGHT! YOU CAN COUNT ON ME TO KEEP THIS SECRET!
LOOK, YOUR SHADOW IS THINNER!
REALLY!? AH, YOU IDIOT!
EVERY-ONE'S HERE
IS SOMEONE MISSING?
IT'S A DEAD END
SHE TOLD US THAT STORY AS A BONUS ALONG WITH ORDERING 3 FRIED NOODLES
SO THAT LADY WAS LYING, I SUPPOSE

I NEVER ORDERED THAT.....
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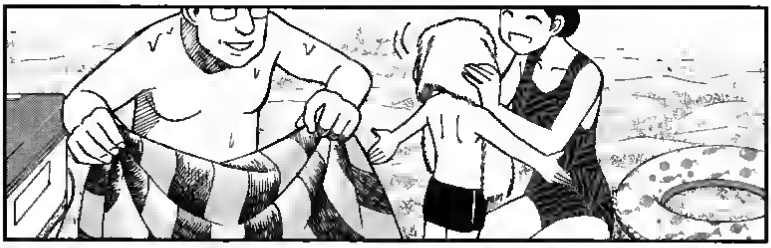
IT REALLY WAS A VOICE THAT WAS LAUGHING!
DAMN, THAT STARTLED ME!
AND TELL THEM, WHAT, THAT WE SAW GHOSTS?
LET'S CONTACT THE POLICE!
THEY'LL THINK WE WERE DELUSIONAL
I ONLY HEARD THE SOUND OF THE WAVES
SHINRA, YOU HEARD THE LAUGHING, TOO, RIGHT?

I JUST FOLLOWED YOU OUT, BECAUSE EVERYONE WAS RUNNING TOWARDS THE EXIT OF THE CAVE
MAYBE WE JUST IMAGINED IT?
WELL, IF THAT'S WHAT SAKAKI-KUN IS SAYING...
WHAT...
IN ANY CASE, LET'S GO BACK TO THE BEACH!
LET'S STOP WASTING TIME!
AH, ME TOO!
I, I ONLY HEARD THE SOUND OF THE WAVES, TOO!
WHOEVER WAS THE FIRST PERSON TO START RUNNING OUT OF THE CAVES, WAS A REAL PUSSY!!
WE IMAGINED SOMEONE LAUGHING, ONLY BECAUSE WE WERE AFRAID!



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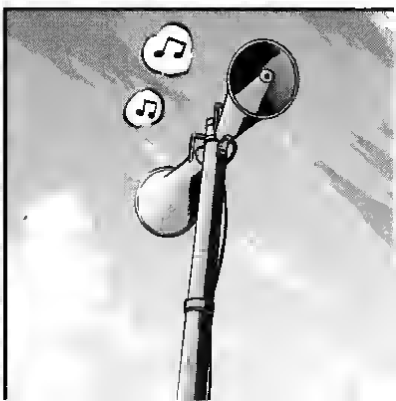
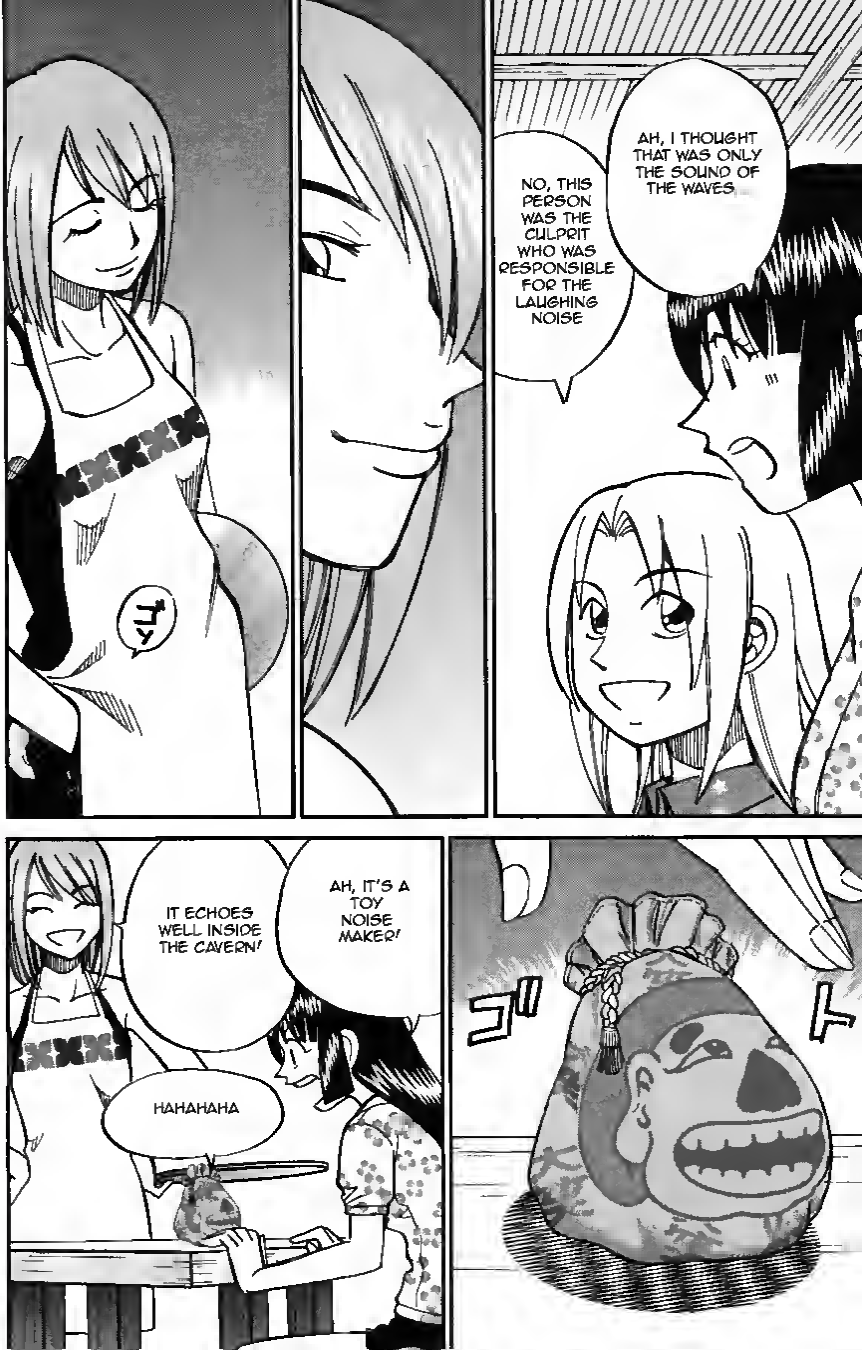


HERE YOU GO
HEY... WHY DID YOU DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
THE LAUGHING SOUND IN THE CAVERN


AH, I THOUGHT THAT WAS ONLY THE SOUND OF THE WAVES
NO, THIS PERSON WAS THE CULPRIT WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LAUGHING NOISE
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AH, IT'S A TOY NOISE MAKER!
IT ECHOES WELL INSIDE THE CAVERN!
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THIS PERSON WAS THE GIRL WHO DISSAPEARED FROM THE CAVERN, 15 YEARS AGO!
BUT, WHY DID SHE DO IT?
BECAUSE SHE DID THE SAME THING, 15 YEARS AGO!
HOW... HOW DID YOU KNOW?
WHAT?

THE FIRST CLUE, WAS THAT YOU WERE ABLE TO KNOW WHEN THE STORY TOOK PLACE, WHICH WAS 15 YEARS AGO
WHEN SOMEONE IS THAT SURE OF IT, THEN CLEARLY THEY WERE THERE
THE SECOND, IS THAT YOU WERE SO SURE THAT THIS WAS A TRUE STORY
IF SOMEONE HAD CLOSED THEIR EYES, THEN THEY WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO KNOW WHETHER THE PEOPLE AROUND THEM CLOSED THEIR EYES AS WELL
THE THIRD, IS THAT YOU SAID "ALL 4 STUDENTS KEPT THEIR EARS AND EYES, SHUT"

SO IT WAS SOMEONE ELSE WHO WAS OBSERVING THE OTHERS
WOW
YOU'RE PRETTY AMAZING!
IN OTHER WORDS, YOU WERE THEIR FRIEND, A DIRECT OBSERVER WHO WAS THERE WHEN THE INCIDENT OCCURRED..
B, BUT WHY DID YOU DO THIS?
YOU ARE THE CULPRIT WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR SETTING THIS UP

WELL...
I GUESS I GOT TIRED OF BEING TOGETHER WITH MY OTHER FRIENDS...
WE WERE KIND OF CONSTRAINED, YOU KNOW?
IT'S NOT LIKE WE WERE... FIGHTING OR ANYTHING, BUT.....

WE SORTA KNEW WHO LIKED WHO,
BUT IF ANYONE HAD SAID ANYTHING, IT WOULD DESTROY OUR FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE 5 OF US....
PERF-ECTLY!
DID IT WORK?
I THOUGHT THAT MAYBE IF I LEFT THE GROUP, THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO DATE ONE ANOTHER
ONE OF THE TWO COUPLES, GOT MARRIED AND IS STILL LIVING NEARBY
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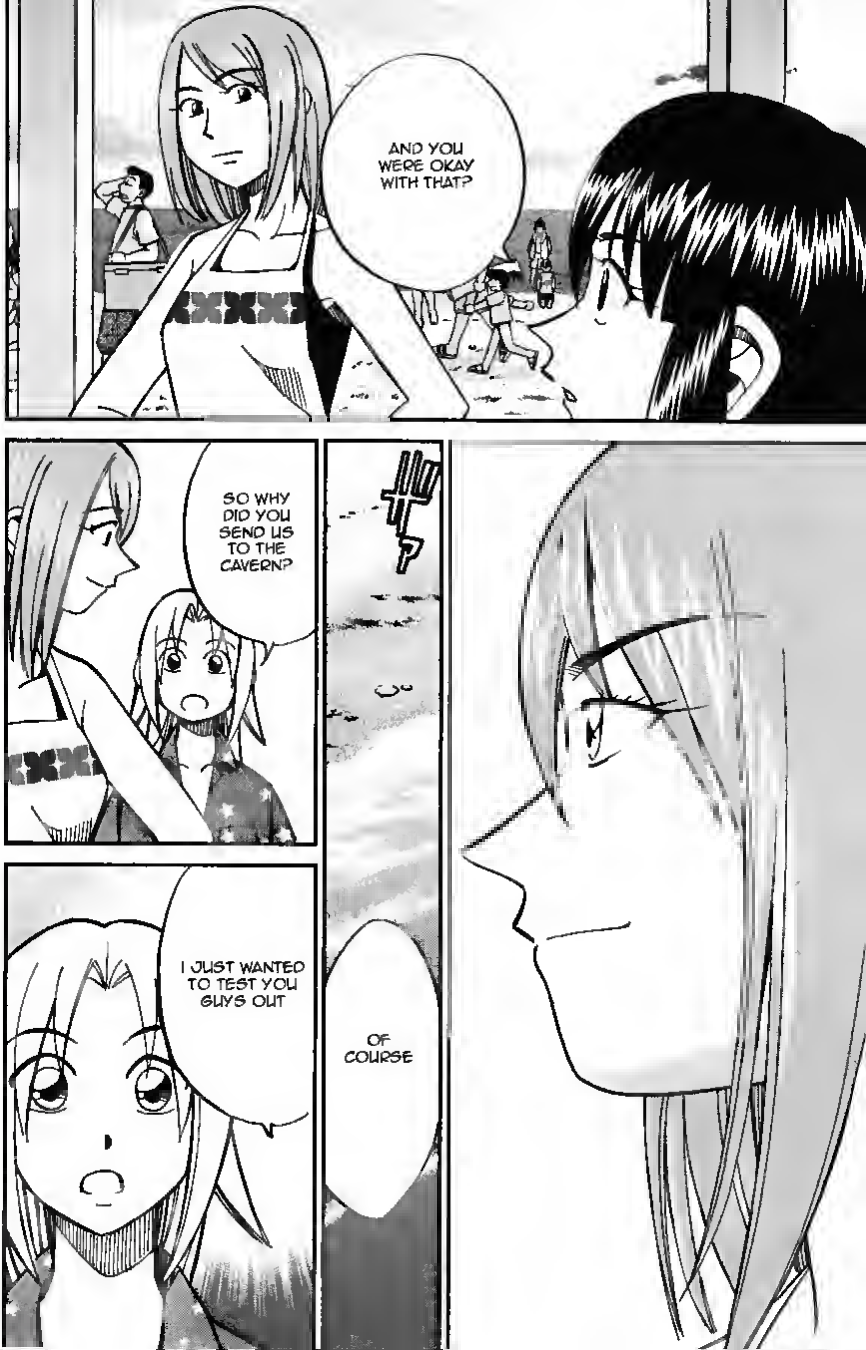
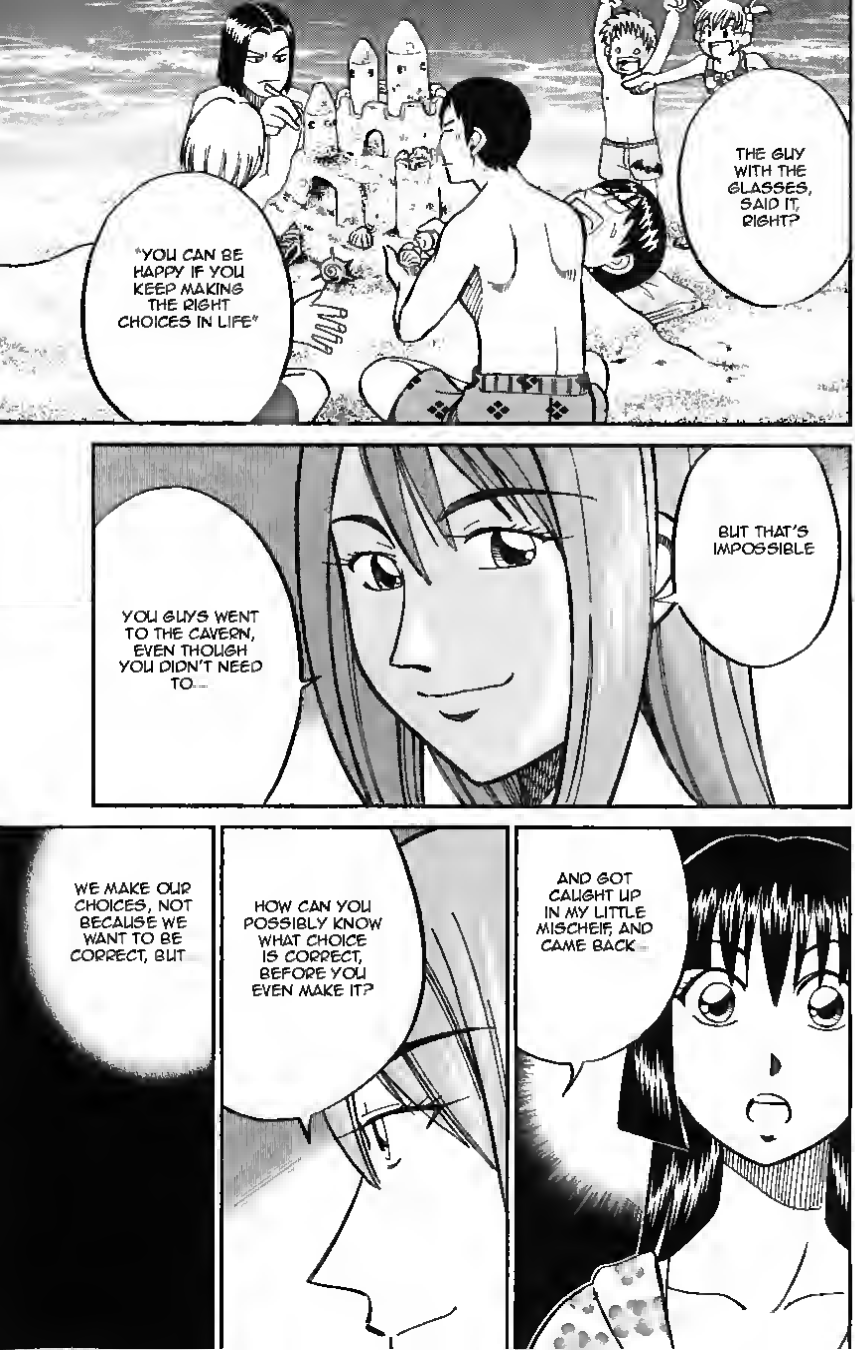

AND YOU WERE OKAY WITH THAT?
SO WHY DID YOU SEND US TO THE CAVERN?
I JUST WANTED TO TEST YOU GUYS OUT
OF COURSE


"YOU CAN BE HAPPY IF YOU KEEP MAKING THE RIGHT CHOICES IN LIFE"
THE GUY WITH THE GLASSES, SAID IT, RIGHT?
BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE
YOU GUYS WENT TO THE CAVERN, EVEN THOUGH YOU DIDN'T NEED TO...
WE MAKE OUR CHOICES, NOT BECAUSE WE WANT TO BE CORRECT, BUT...
HOW CAN YOU POSSIBLY KNOW WHAT CHOICE IS CORRECT, BEFORE YOU EVEN MAKE IT?
AND GOT CAUGHT UP IN MY LITTLE MISCHEIF, AND CAME BACK...

BECAUSE WE WANT TO MAKE A CHOICE
THAT IS ALL FOR TODAY
SCHOOL WILL BE STARTING SOON, SO GET READY
AH.... KAWAGOE-KUN
I SEE YOU DIDN'T GO TO THE OCEAN, WITH THE REST OF THE CREW
SUNASHIRO...

I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE HERE
YOU DIDN'T GO TO THE BEACH EITHER, KAWAGOE-KUN, SO WHY NOT?
AH, YEAH... I JUST DIDN'T FEEL LIKE IT
LOOK
IT'S STILL A CHOICE THAT I MADE, MYSELF
WHO CARES IF WE MAKE THE WRONG CHOICE...

YOU GET A FEELING THAT SOMETHING IS PASSING,
AND YOU START TO FEEL NOSTALGIC ABOUT THE PAST
IT'S THE LAST DAY OF SUMMER, AT THE BEACH

THIS IS THE BEST TIME OF YOUR LIFE,
A TIME THAT YOU WISH, WOULD LAST FOREVER...
SUMMER WILL KEEP COMING BACK, AS LONG AS THE EARTH KEEPS MOVING, BUT
SO, THE BEST THING TO DO IS TO KEEP LOOKING FORWARD...
THE NUMBER OF TIMES WE ARE ABLE TO EXPEPIENCE IT, ARE LIMITED
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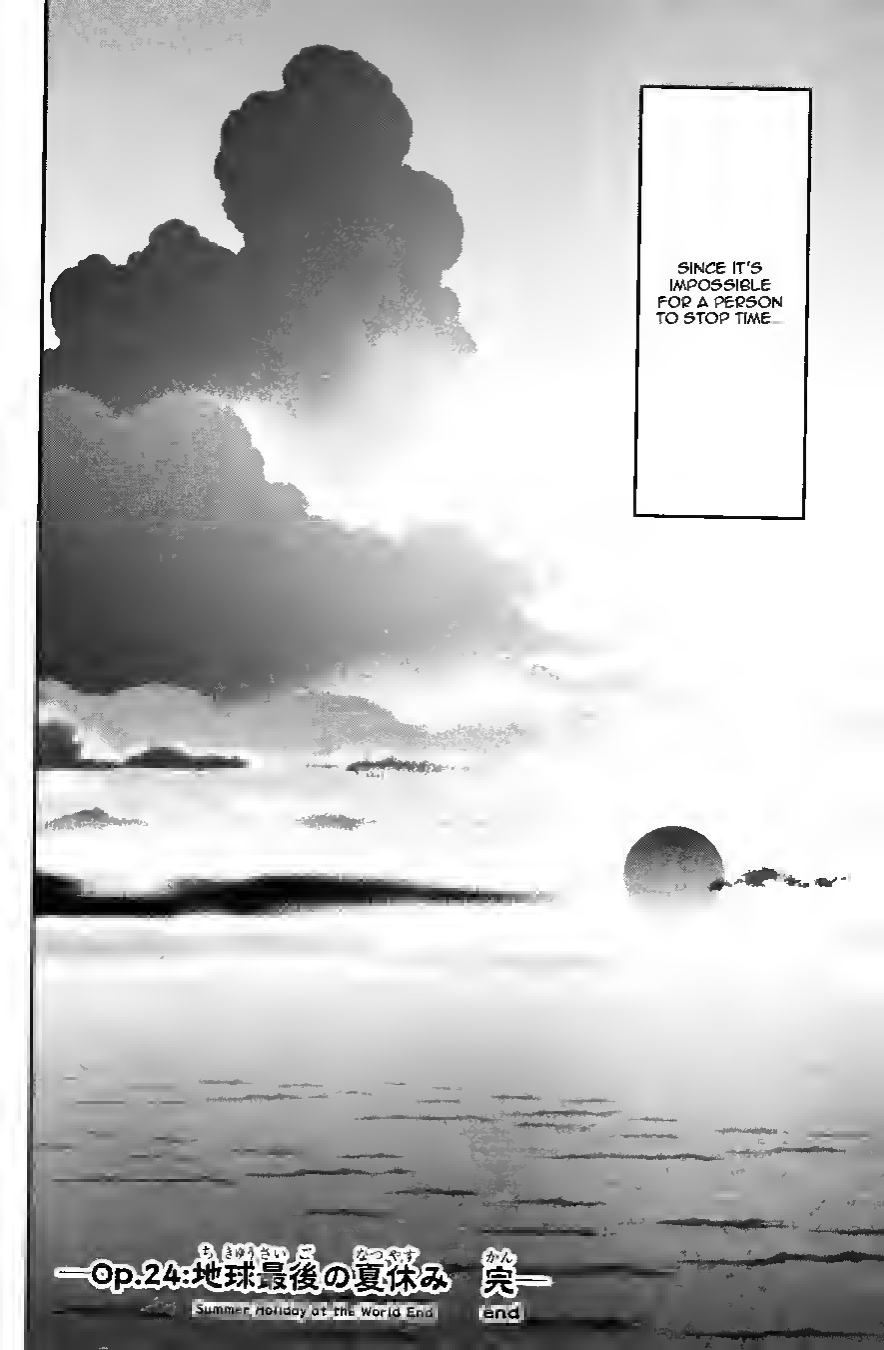
WHETHER OR NOT THE CHOICES YOU MAKE WERE CORRECT, WILL ONLY BE DETERMINED BY YOUR FUTURE SELF
WOULDN'T IT BE A WASTE, TO SPEND THAT TIME WORRYING ABOUT WHETHER YOU MADE THE WRONG DECISION OR NOT?
ONE MORE!



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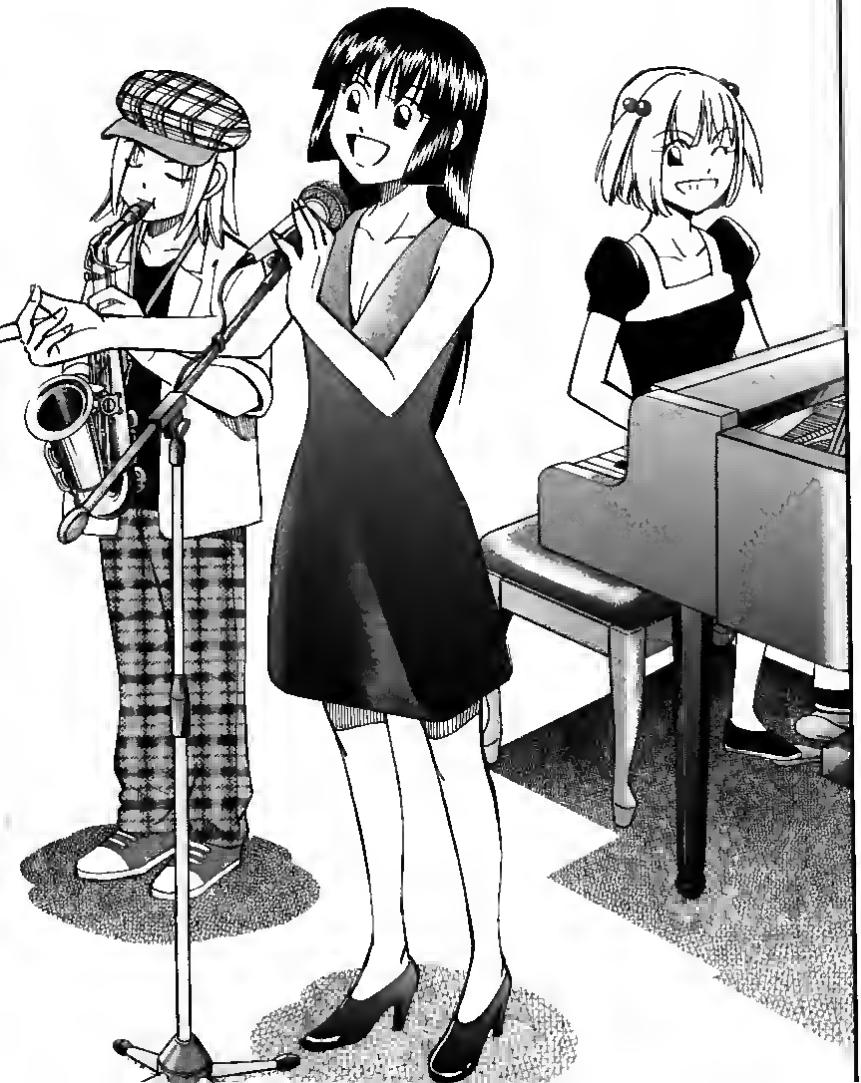

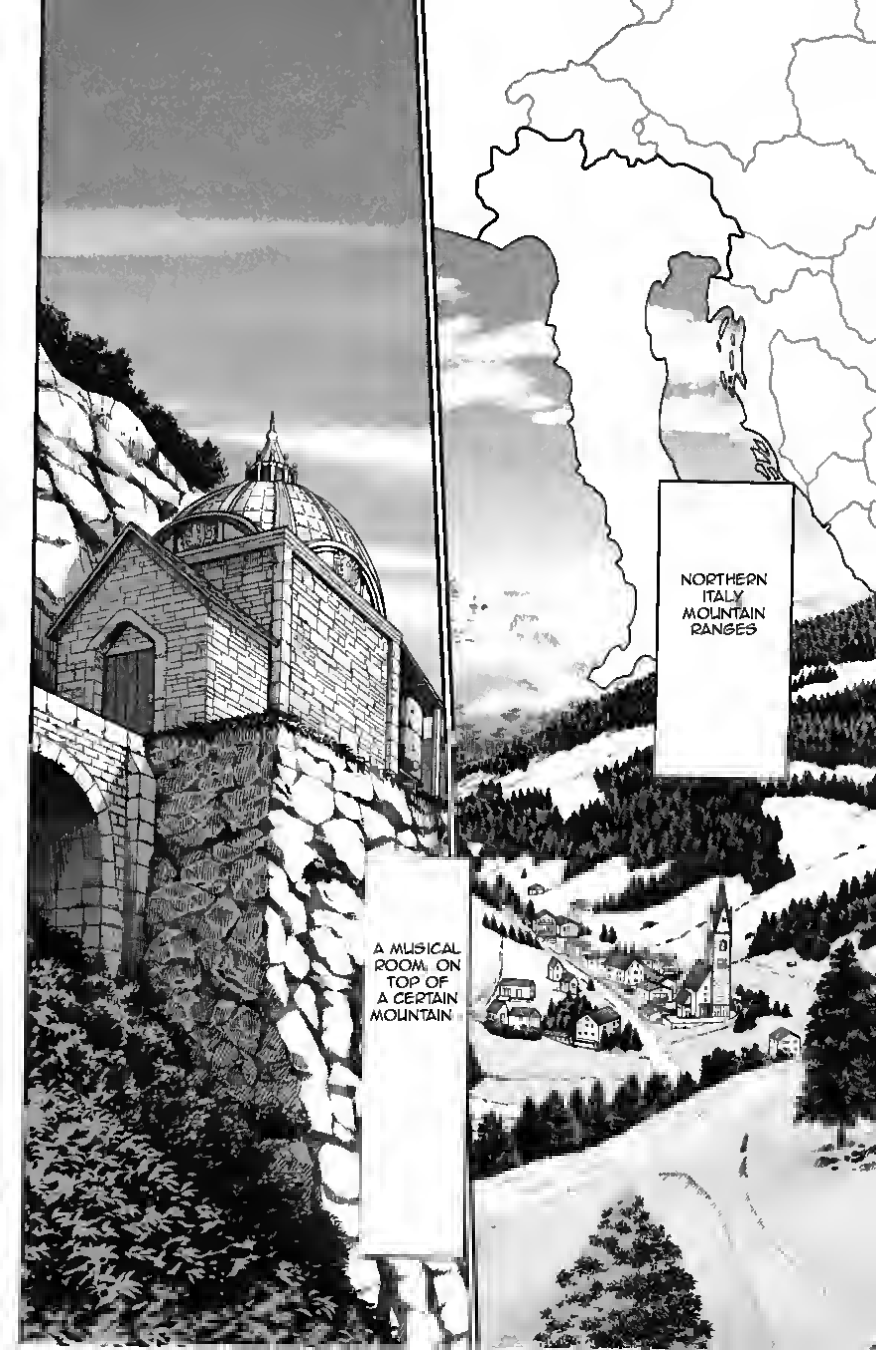
NORTHERN ITALY MOUNTAIN RANGES
A MUSICAL ROOM: ON TOP OF A CERTAIN MOUNTAIN

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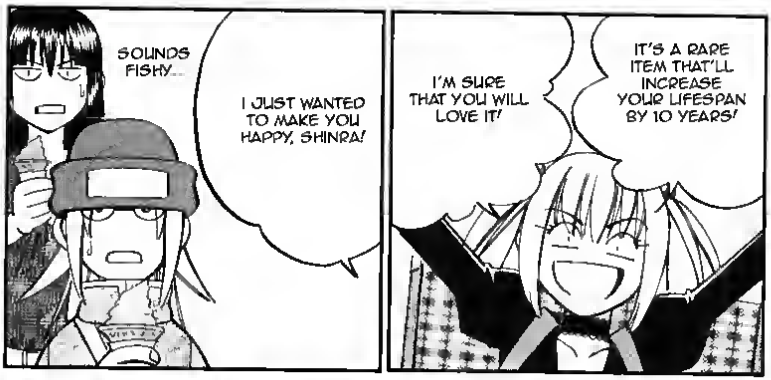
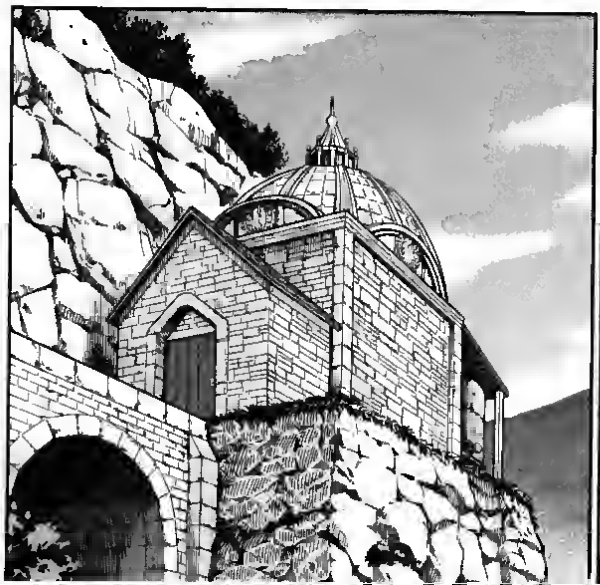
HEY! DID YOU HEAR THAT?
Y, YEAH, THIS IS BAD!
AND YET, HE KEPT INSISTING ON INVESTIGATING IT...
THIS IS WHY I TRIED TO STOP HIM!! THAT PIPE ORGAN IS CURSED!
IDIOT!!
LET'S RUN AWAY!
AH!!

MILANO, ITALY
HERE IN MILANO, WHICH STANDS ON THE NORTH OF ITALY, FLOURISHED AS THE CENTER FOR THE EMPIRE OF ROME
AFTER WHICH, THIS CITY WAS GOVERNED BY RICH NOBLES, AND GAVE BIRTH TO VARIOUS DIFFERENT ARTISTS AND CULTURAL ARTIFACTS
AND ALSO, THIS PLACE WAS...

A PLACE OF CONSTANT WARFARE
BLACK MARKET BROKER
MAU SUGAL
THIS PLACE BECAME THE FIRST CITY THAT WAS BESEIGED BY OUTSIDERS THAT WERE TARGETTING ROME, THE CENTRE OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE...
MILANO
ROME
SPAIN, AUSTRIA, FRANCE MANY DIFFERENT COUNTRIES, CAME HERE AND RULED THIS CITY
AND SO THIS PLACE BECAME A WARZONE, MANY TIMES

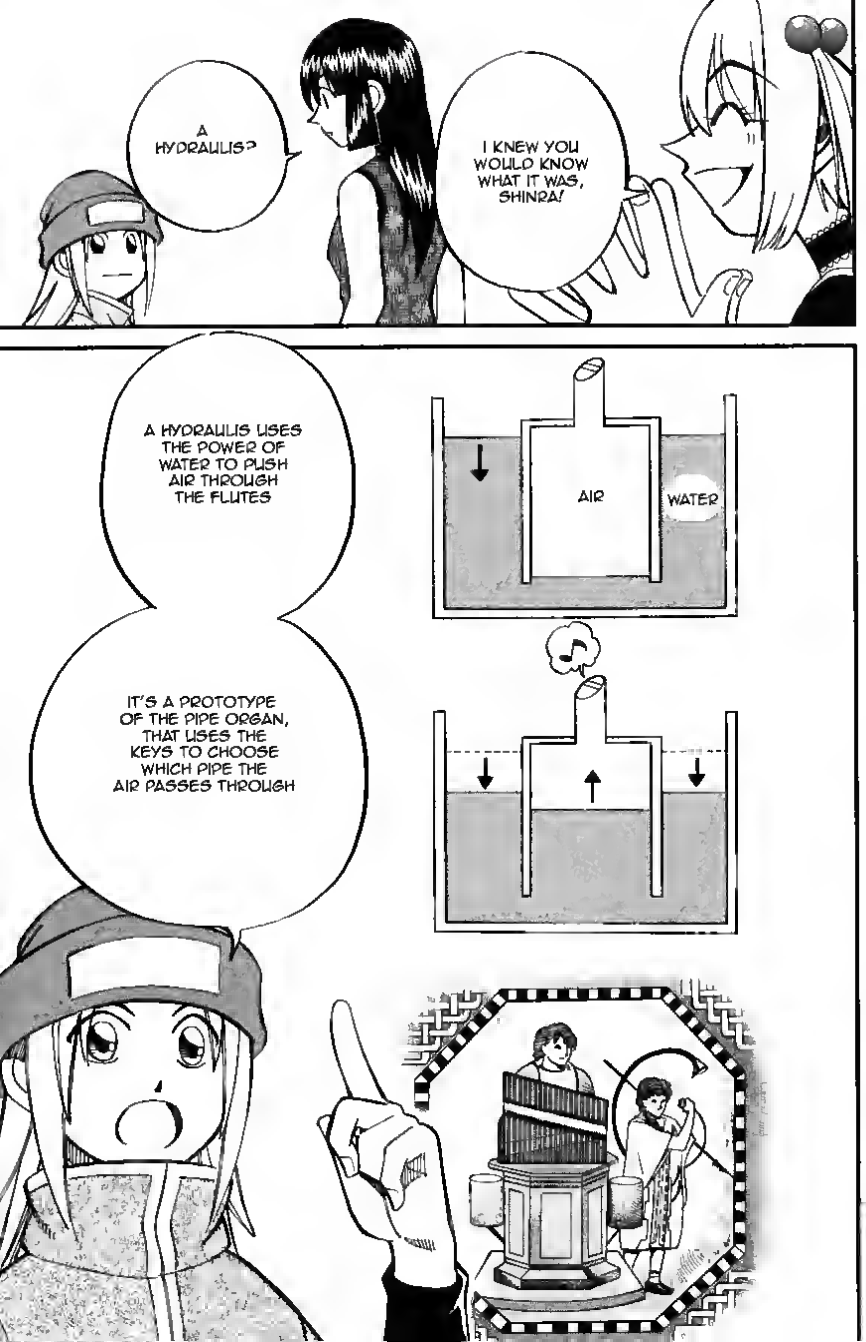
YOU TOLD US THAT YOU WOULD SHOW US SOMETHING RARE....
SO, MAU, WHY DID YOU BRING US HERE?


SOUNDS FISHY...
I JUST WANTED TO MAKE YOU HAPPY, SHINRA!
I'M SURE THAT YOU WILL LOVE IT!
IT'S A RARE ITEM THAT'LL INCREASE YOUR LIFESPAN BY 10 YEARS!



A MUSICAL CHAPEL?
THERE'S A LARGE TANK BEHIND THE BUILDING
LOOKS LIKE IT OPENS MECHANICALLY
AND THIS IS THE DRAINING TAP...
LOOKS LIKE A TANK THAT COLLECTS WATER

NOW THEN, LET'S GO INSIDE!
WAH! WHAT A LARGE PIPE ORGAN
WHAT IS THIS PLACE THERE ARE NO WINDOWS?
NO, IT'S NOT A PIPE ORGAN
IT'S A HYDRAULIS!


A HYDRAULIS?
I KNEW YOU WOULD KNOW WHAT IT WAS, SHINRA!
A HYDRAULIS USES THE POWER OF WATER TO PUSH AIR THROUGH THE FLUTES
AIR
WATER
IT'S A PROTOTYPE OF THE PIPE ORGAN, THAT USES THE KEYS TO CHOOSE WHICH PIPE THE AIR PASSES THROUGH

SO THE WATER TANK OUTSIDE, IS TO SEND IN AIR INTO THE ORGAN
IT IS SAID TO HAVE BEEN INVENTED BY CTESIBIUS, AROUND 270 B.C.
WHAT'S STRANGE ABOUT THAT?
BUT, THIS MUSICAL CHAPEL APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN BUILT AROUND THE 16TH CENTURY, WHICH IS STRANGE...
THATS WHY THEY SWITCHED FROM THE WATER POWERED, TO THOSE THAT WERE POWERED BY HUMANS WHO PUMPED AIR THROUGH THE ORGANS, AND THE HYDRAULIS DISSAPEARED FROM HISTORY
THE HYDRAULIS COULDN'T PRODUCE NOISE IN A STABLE FASHION, AND ALSO CREATED A LOT OF DISTORTIONS

RIGHT! RIGHT! ISN'T IT A RARE AND STRANGE OBJECT?
WHY WAS A HYDRAULIS BUILT IN THE 16TH CENTURY...? I'D UNDERSTAND IF IT WERE A RENAISSANCE ORGAN, BUT...
THIS IS WAY TOO SUSPICIOUS
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IF YOU FIND SOMETHING OUT, REPORT BACK TO ME!
GOOD LUCK WITH YOUR INQUIRY!
SHINRA!
THERE IS NO DUST ON THE KEYBOARDS... SOMEONE MUST HAVE PLAYED IT RECENTLY
LOOK! THE DOOR HAS BEEN FORCED OPEN

I TOLD YOU! THAT ORGAN IS CURSED
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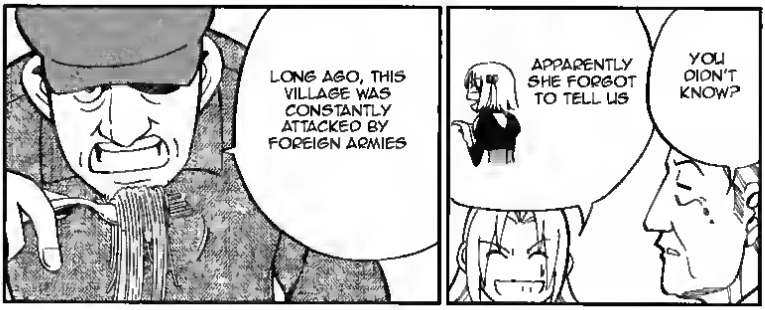
YOU DION'T KNOW?
APPARENTLY SHE FORGOT TO TELL US
LONG AGO, THIS VILLAGE WAS CONSTANTLY ATTACKED BY FOREIGN ARMIES

MANY OF THE VILLAGERS, RAN INTO THAT MUSICAL CHAPEL TO TAKE SHELTER AND WERE SLAUGHTERED INSIDE

THE ORGAN ABSORBED THE HATRED OF ALL THOSE PEOPLE WHO DIED
AND IT IS SAID THAT ANY WHO TRY TO PLAY THE ORGAN, WILL DIE
IN ACTUALITY, THERE HAVE BEEN OVER 10 PEOPLE WHO HAVE DIED INSIDE THAT CHAPEL
THE LOCALS STAY AWAY FROM THAT PLACE
ONLY THE FOREIGNERS WHO DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT PLACE, BECOME VICTIMIZED BY IT

IF YOU DON'T WANT TO DIE, DON'T GO NEAR THAT PLACE
IT'S THAT AMERICAN
YEAH.
BUT THERE'S SOMEONE WHO RECENTLY PLAYED THAT ORGAN, RIGHT?
I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT HAPPENED, EITHER
HE'S AN AUTHOR CALLED SMOKE
AND HE'S IN THE HOSPITAL RIGHT NOW
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A SUDDEN ONSET OF A HEADACHE AND DIZZINESS...
AND WHEN I CAME TO, I WAS HERE IN THE HOSPITAL
THEY SAID THEY COULDN'T FIND OUT WHAT THE CAUSE, WAS
oxygen
WHAT DID THE DOCTORS SAY?
IVE INVESTIGATED VARIOUS PLACES AROUND THE WORLD, THROUGH OCEANS AND MOUNTAINS
WAS THERE ANY LOW FREQUENCY WAVES, OR ELECTRIC WAVES THAT CAUSED THIS
SMOKE-SAN, YOU'VE BROUGHT ALONG QUITE A FEW EQUIPMENT WITH YOU
IF THOSE WERE THE CAUSE OF MY ILLNESS, I WOULD'VE FIGURED OUT IT BY NOW!

THAT PLACE IS NEAR THE VILLAGES WATER WELL
IF SOMETHING LIKE THAT EXISTED, THE VILLAGERS WOULD BE AFFECTED AS WELL
IS THERE ANY CHANCE OF CONTAMINATION FROM DISEASE OR POLLUTANTS?
IF YOU'RE INTERESTED, THEN INVESTIGATE IT YOURSELF!
PREVENT THE MUSICAL CHAPEL FROM TAKING ANY MORE LIVES
IF I FIGURE OUT THE TRUTH BEHIND "THE CURSED ORGAN", I'LL BE ABLE TO SELL A LOT OF BOOKS... THIS IS WHY I ACCEPTED THIS JOB
WHY DID YOU TAKE SUCH A DANGEROUS JOB?
FOR THE MONEY, OF COURSE
YOU, WHO HOLD THE CMB RINGS, SHOULD BE ABLE TO SOLVE THIS MYSTERY

NOT EVERYONE CAN USE AN INFINITE AMOUNT OF MONEY, LIKE YOU
LET'S GO!
AH, ONE MORE THING
WHO WAS THE ONE WHO GAVE YOU THIS JOB?
IT WAS A WEALTHY GIRL NAMED MAU
SHE OWNS THAT MUSICAL CHAPEL

I SEE THE PICTURE NOW
BUT A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT THAT CAUSES DEATH, WOULD SCARE AWAY HER CUSTOMERS
MAU BOUGHT THIS CURSED HYDRAULIS, AND IS THINKING ABOUT RESELLING IT TO A RICH BUYER!
RIGHT! AT THE MOMENT, SHE CANNOT SELL IT

AND SO SHE TRIED TO INVESTIGATE THE SOURCE OF THE CURSE
AS LONG AS SHE KNOWS THE SOURCE OF THE CURSE, SHE CAN SELL IT, AND MAYBE EVEN GET A TV EXCLUSIVE
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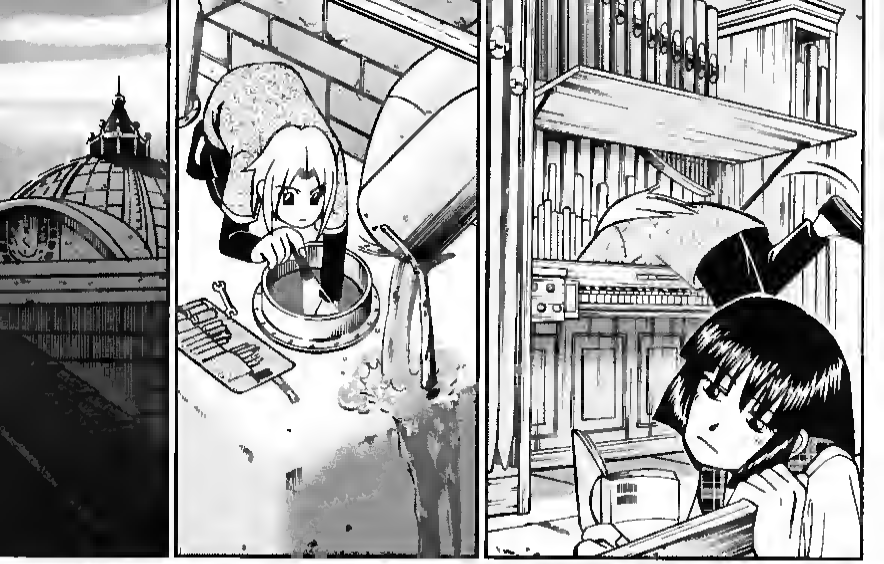
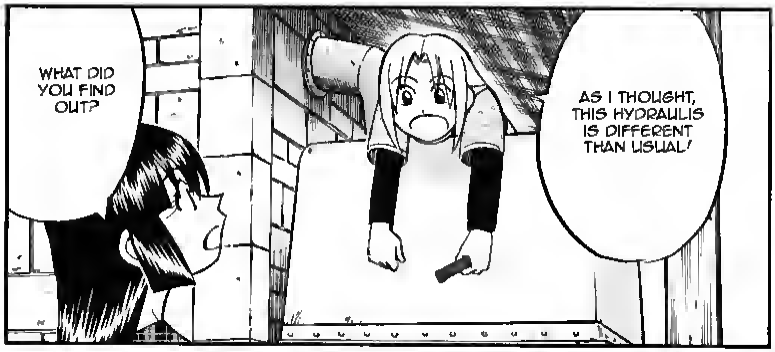
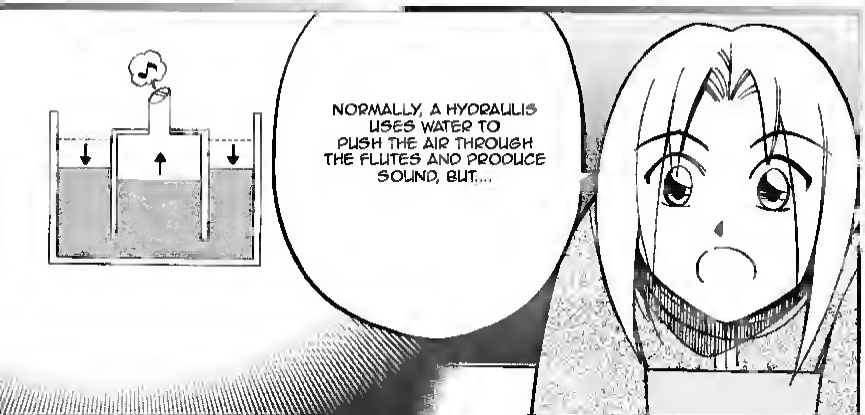
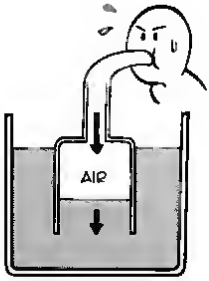
I'M LOSING MONEY ON THIS!!
HER PLAN WAS RUINED
AND FINALLY, SMOKE-SAN FELL AS WELL
HOWEVER, THE RESEARCHERS KEPT FALLING, ONE BY ONE...

THIS IS STUPID! LET'S GO HOME!
AND SO SHE CAME HERE TO ASK YOU!?
BUT IF I GO HOME, I WON'T BE ABLE TO FIND OUT THE TRUTH BEHIND THIS ORGAN
I'M GONNA FIGURE OUT THIS MYSTERY, AND SELL IT BACK TO MAU AT A HIGH PRICE!

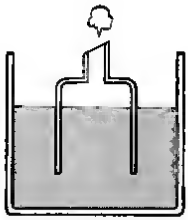



WHAT DID YOU FIND OUT?
AS I THOUGHT, THIS HYDRAULIS IS DIFFERENT THAN USUAL!


NORMALLY, A HYDRAULIS USES WATER TO PUSH THE AIR THROUGH THE FLUTES AND PRODUCE SOUND, BUT....

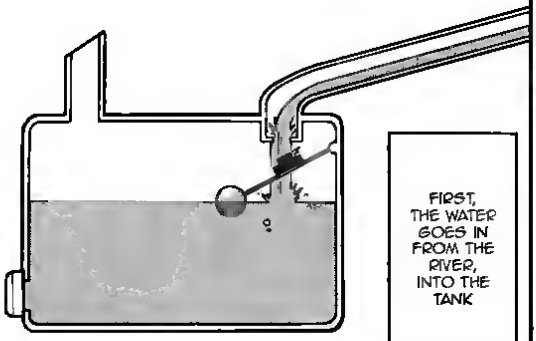


NEED TO BLOW IN AIR IN ORDER TO USE IT AGAIN

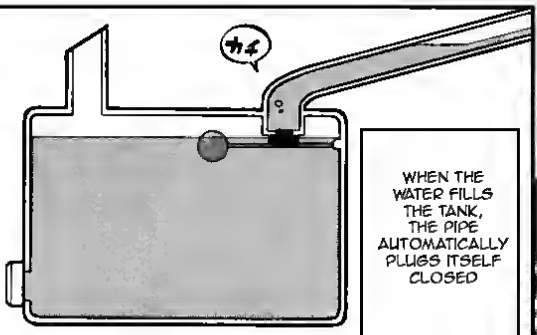


POSITION OF THE WATER, AT THE END OF A PERFORMANCE

WITH THIS METHOD, YOU WOULD HAVE TO PUMP AIR BACK IN, IN ORDER TO USE THE ORGAN AGAIN



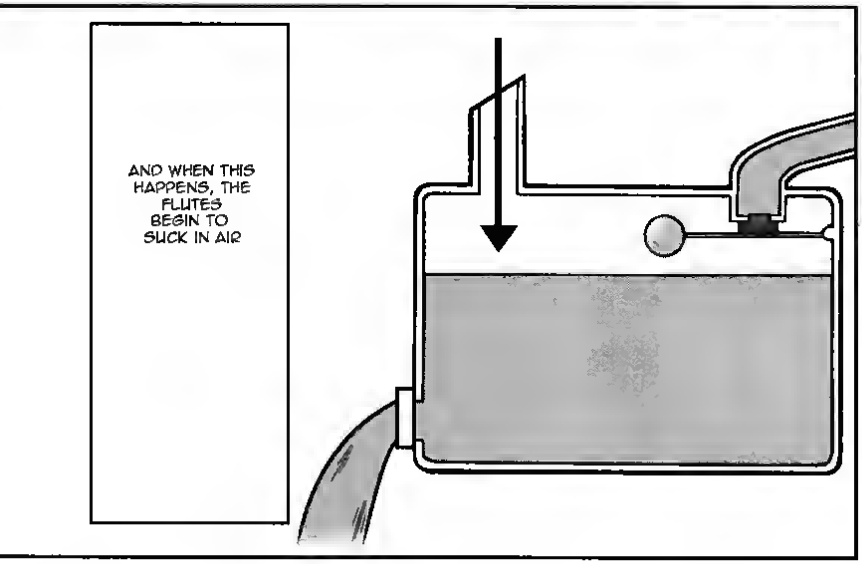
FIRST, THE WATER GOES IN FROM THE RIVER, INTO THE TANK

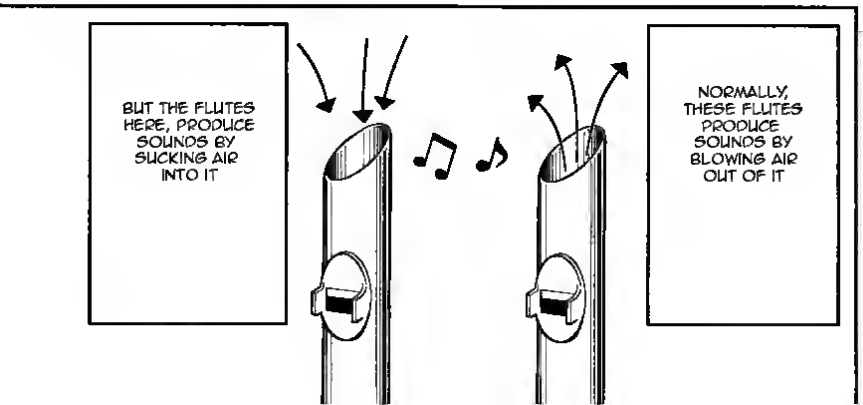


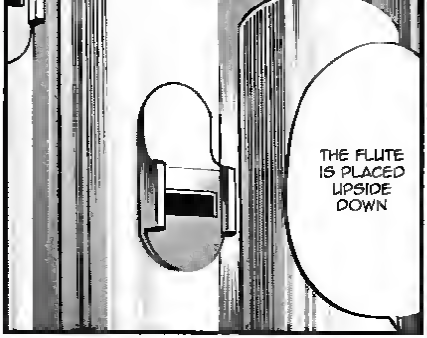
WHEN THE WATER FILLS THE TANK, THE PIPE AUTOMATICALLY PLUGS ITSELF CLOSED

BUT, THIS WATER TANK HAS BEEN ALTERED

WHEN YOU START THE MUSICAL PERFORMANCE, THE LID OPENS AND THE WATER STARTS TO FLOW OUT


AND WHEN THIS HAPPENS, THE FLUTES BEGIN TO SUCK IN AIR

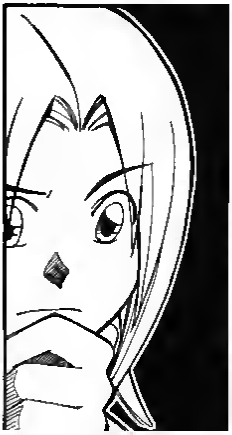

BUT THE FLUTES HERE, PRODUCE SOUNDS BY SUCKING AIR INTO IT
NORMALLY, THESE FLUTES PRODUCE SOUNDS BY BLOWING AIR OUT OF IT


THE FLUTE IS PLACED UPSIDE DOWN

LOOK!

WOW! THAT'S PRETTY SMART

SO MAYBE THEY MADE THIS HYDRAULIS IN THE 16TH CENTURY, BECAUSE THEY FOUND OUT A WAY TO REFILL THE WATER WITH EASE?



DOESN'T THIS SOLVE THE MYSTERY OF WHY THIS HYDRAULIS WAS BUILT?

THIS VILLAGE WAS ATTACKED BY FOREIGN ARMIES ALL THE TIME
THE LOCALS DON'T GO NEAR THAT PLACE ANYMORE
ONLY THE FOREIGNERS WHO ARE UNAWARE OF THE DANGERS OF THAT PLACE, BECOME IT'S VICTIMS
?
WE NEED TO GET OUT OF HERE!!
I GET IT NOW!!

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IT WON'T OPEN!
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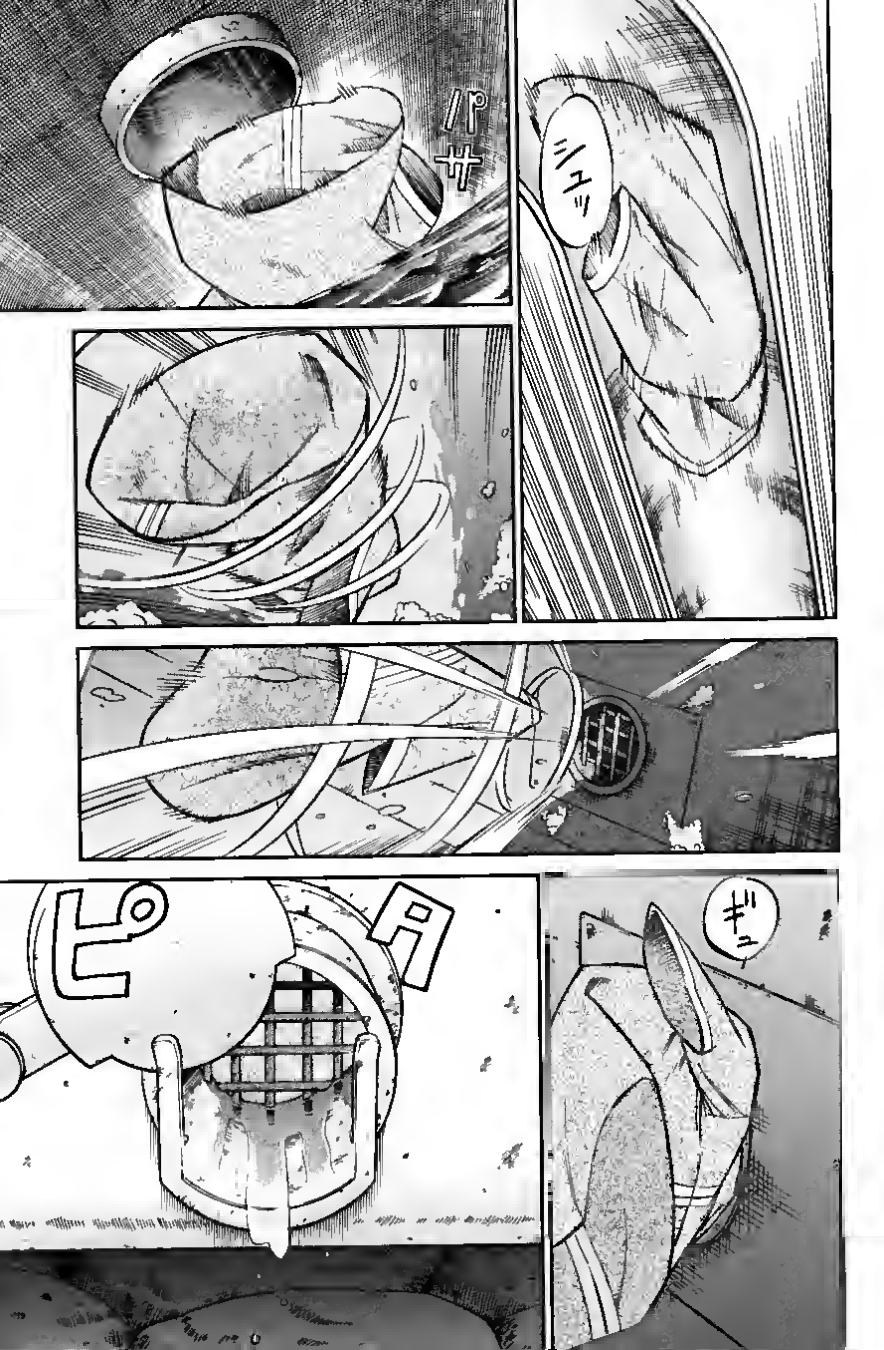
WHAT HAPP-ENED?
THE ORGAN HAS BEGUN PLAYING ON IT'S OWN!?
THE KEYS ARE LOCKED DOWN!!

ARE YOU OKAY?
SHINRA!?
TH-THAT...
DESTROY THAT PIPE....

PUT IT IN THE PIPES!!
USE MY JACKET!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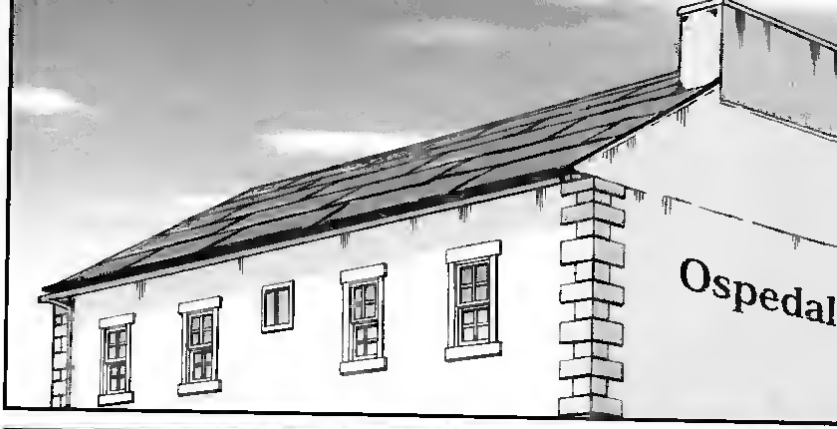
THE SOUND STOPPED...
WHY WAS THE DOOR JAMMED...
AH!! MY HYDRAULIS!!
HUH? WHAT ARE YOU GUYS DOING?
HEY, SHINRA!

YOU DESTROYED MY PROPERTY!!!
PAY FOR IT!! COMPENSATION MONEY!! NOW!!!
DON'T ACT LIKE YOU'RE DEAD!!
YOU SOLVED THE CURSE!?
HAHAHA! IT'S NOTHING YOU HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT
I'LL SOLVE THE MYSTERY FOR YOU, BUT ON ONE CONDITION!
HOTEL dominica
ALRIGHT, WITH THIS I CAN RE-SELL IT!
RE-SELL?

I WANT TO SEE YOUR COLLECTION, MAU
WHY WAS THE HYDRAULIS BUILT, DESPITE BEING OUTDATED?
WHO WAS IT THAT TRAPPED US INTO THE MUSICAL CHAPEL....
WH, WHY!? IT'S PRIVATE....
IF YOU DON'T AGREE, I WON'T TELL YOU THE SOLUTION TO THE MYSTERY

AND WHY DOES THAT HYDRAULIS, KILL PEOPLE!?
DAMNIT...
I SHALL ESCORT YOU TO THE "WUNDER KAMMER"
WELL, NOW THAT WE'VE COME TO AN AGREEMENT...
HMPH! FINE!!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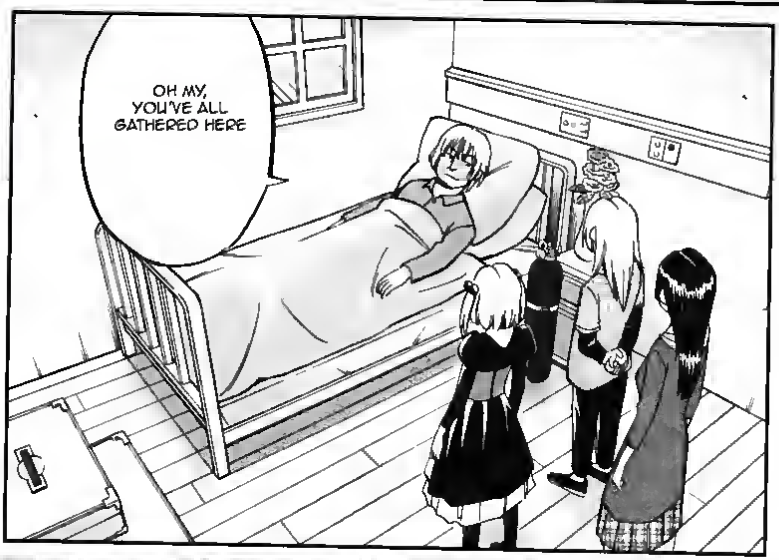
OH MY, YOU'VE ALL GATHERED HERE

SINCE YOU TOLD ME TO SOLVE THE MYSTERY, I DID
I'VE COME TO FULFILL MY OBLIGATIONS AS A HOLDER OF THE C.M.B. RINGS
SO, WHAT DID YOU COME HERE, FOR?

TH, THAT'S PERFECT!! PLEASE, TELL ME...
THERE'S NO NEED FOR ME TO TELL YOU
AFTER ALL I WASN'T THE ONLY ONE WHO SOLVED THE MYSTERY
YOU DID, AS WELL
WH, WHAT ARE YOU...
YOU'VE DONT RESEARCH AROUND THE WORLD
AND THE DOCTORS KNOW WHY, TOO
THAT'S WHY THEY ARE GIVING YOU OXYGEN THERAPY
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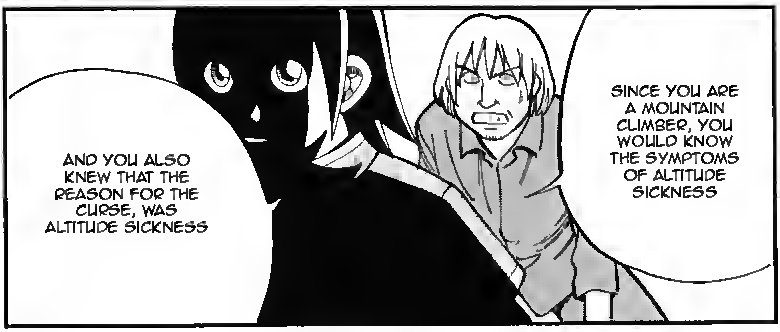
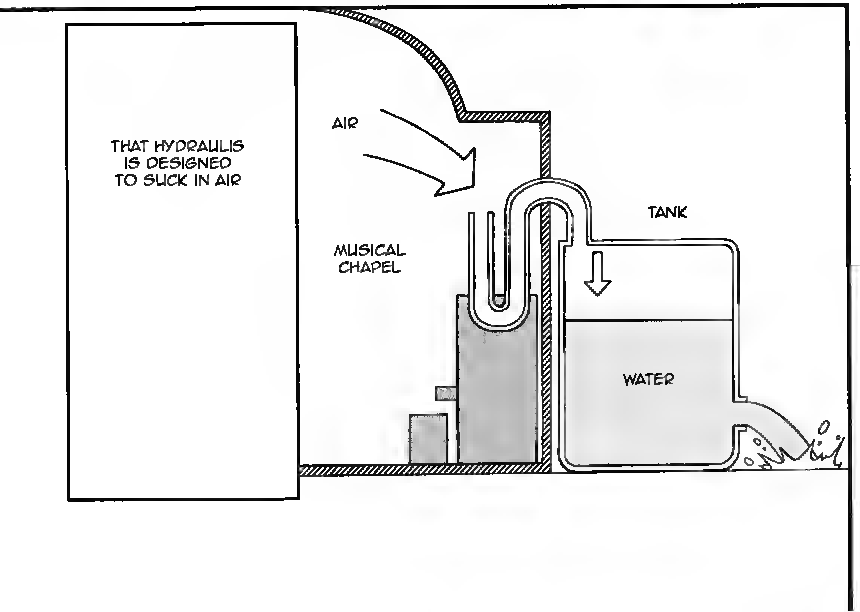
IN OCEANS, IN MOUNTAINS...
SO, YOU DEFINATELY KNOW THE REASON WHY YOU COLLAPSED

YOU COLLAPSED BECAUSE OF ALTITUDE SICKNESS
ALITITUDE SICKNESS?
IT'S A SICKNESS THAT OCCURS AT HIGH ALTITUDES, WHERE THE AIR IS THIN
IT CAUSES HEADACHE AND VOMITTING...

AND, WHEN LEFT IN SUCH AN ENVIRONMENT, IT CAN EVEN LEAD TO DEATH


AND YOU ALSO KNEW THAT THE REASON FOR THE CURSE, WAS ALTITUDE SICKNESS
SINCE YOU ARE A MOUNTAIN CLIMBER, YOU WOULD KNOW THE SYMPTOMS OF ALTITUDE SICKNESS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AIR
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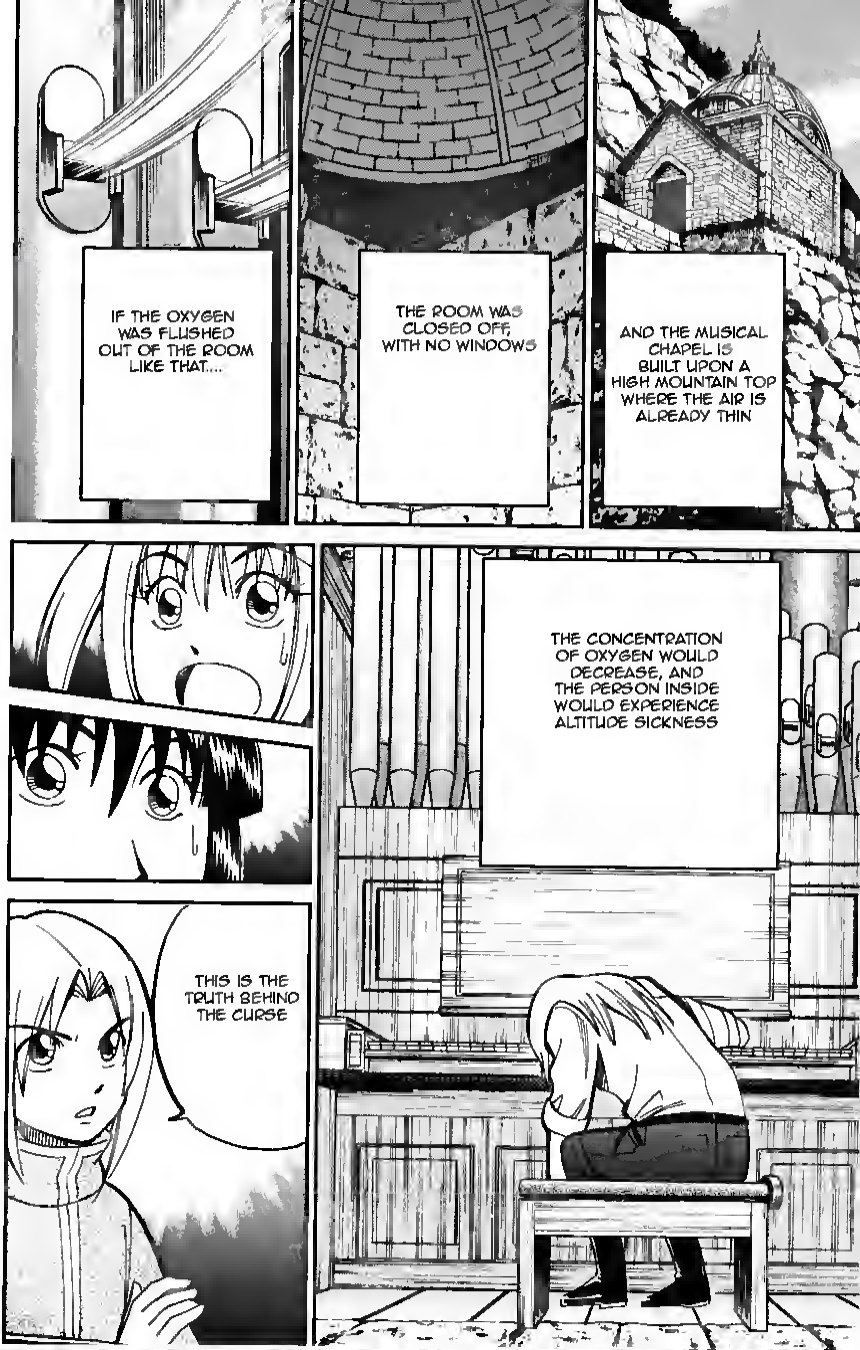
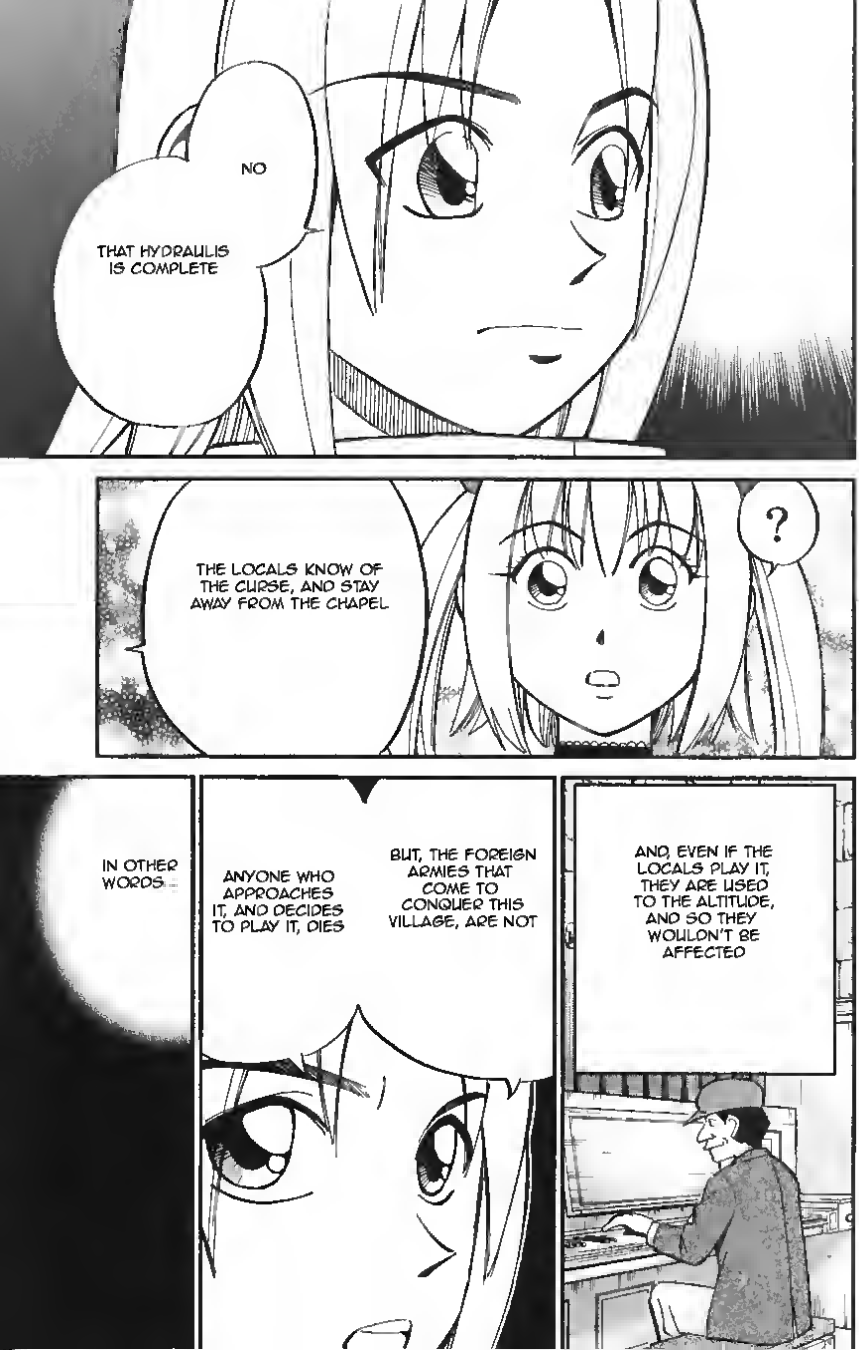
WATER


IF THE OXYGEN WAS FLUSHED OUT OF THE ROOM LIKE THAT....
THE ROOM WAS CLOSED OFF, WITH NO WINDOWS
AND THE MUSICAL CHAPEL IS BUILT UPON A HIGH MOUNTAIN TOP WHERE THE AIR IS ALREADY THIN
THE CONCENTRATION OF OXYGEN WOULD DECREASE, AND THE PERSON INSIDE WOULD EXPERIENCE ALTITUDE SICKNESS
THIS IS THE TRUTH BEHIND THE CURSE

YOU EVEN WENT AS FAR AS TO HIDE THE DOCTORS DIAGNOSIS!
HEY, YOU! WHY DID YOU KEEP THIS A SECRET!?
HE WANTED ME TO INVESTIGATE THE MUSICAL CHAPEL
IF THAT HAPPENS, SMOKE-SAN'S BOOK, WHICH SOLVED THE MYSTERY, WOULD SELL LIKE CRAZY
IF I WERE TO DIE, WHILE INVESTIGATING THE HYORAUUS, THE NEWS OF THE CURSE WOULD FLY AROUND THE WORLD
THE FLUTES ARE UPSIDE DOWN
BUT, WHEN YOU SAW THAT WE WERE CLOSE TO FIGURING OUT THE TRUTH BEHIND THE CURSE...

AND SO, HE TRIED TO TRAP US IN, AND KILL US
UGH...
I'LL THINK ABOUT WHAT TO DO WITH YOU, LATER
OHO.....
SO, IN OTHER WORDS, THAT HYDRAULIS WAS DEFECTIVE?


NO
THAT HYDRAULIS IS COMPLETE
?
THE LOCALS KNOW OF THE CURSE, AND STAY AWAY FROM THE CHAPEL
IN OTHER WORDS...
ANYONE WHO APPROACHES IT, AND DECIDES TO PLAY IT, DIES
BUT, THE FOREIGN ARMIES THAT COME TO CONQUER THIS VILLAGE, ARE NOT
AND, EVEN IF THE LOCALS PLAY IT, THEY ARE USED TO THE ALTITUDE, AND SO THEY WOULDN'T BE AFFECTED

IT WAS INVENTED BY A GENIUS CRAFTSMAN AS A KILLING MACHINE, TO KILL IT'S ENEMIES...
THAT HYDRAULIS IS DESIGNED AS A TRAP, TO KILL FOREIGN INVADERS

SO, WHAT DO YOU THINK, MAU... DO YOU THINK YOU WILL BE ABLE TO SELL IT?
I THINK IT WOULD BE BEST IF WE DESTROY IT...
IT NO LONGER NEEDS TO SERVE IT'S PURPOSE, AFTER ALL...

—Op.25:ヒドラウリス　完(かん)—

The Hydraulis　end

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